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12th "	SALSETTE	6000	MOOLTAN	9891
23rd "	ARABIA	7903	.....	...
30th* "	MANTUA	11000	.....	...
6th Nov.	CORANA	6810	.....	...
13th "	SALSETTE	6000	CHINA	...
20th "	MALWA	10 883	.....	...
27th "	SALSETTE	6000	MACEDONIA	10,912
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26th "	CALEDONIA	7558	.....	...
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19th "	SALSETTE	6000	MALWA	11000
23rd "	ARCADIA	7000	.....	...
26th "	EGYPT	7912	.....	...
2nd April.	MAURDONIA	10612	.....	...
9th "	ARABIA	7903	.....	...
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VILLE de la CIOTAT	6,378	Barillon	23rd Dec. "
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W 22	5	"
M 22	40	"
Y 20½	2	"
20½	7	"
20	51	"
20	5	"
20	"	45
20	2	"
20	34	"
20	8	"
18	2	"
16	29	"
16	10	"
16	3	"
16	1	"
14	5	"
13	1	"
12	9	"
12	1	"
11½	1	"
10½	8	"
10½	17½	"
10½	1	"
10	1	"
10	6	"
6½	19	"
6½	1	"
6	4	"
4	5	"
3/6	1	"
2/30	"	8
2/20	6	2
2/10	3	"
2/16	41	"
	511	53

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Bombay, 20th September, 1909.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 624 of 1908.

SHIVNATH ASSAWA and Another ... Plaintiffs.
v.s.
BHAIDAS VALLABHDAS and Others... Defendants.

PURSUANT to the Decree made in the above Suit and bearing date the 28th day of June, 1909, the following immoveable property will be SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, by the Acting Commissioner of this Honorable Court, at his Office in the Court House, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th day of October, 1909, at the hour of half past three o'clock in the afternoon (Standard Time.)

All that the right, title and interest of the Plaintiffs and of the 1st and 2nd Defendants Bhaidas Vallabhdas and Nagindas Vallabhdas in the undermentioned property, viz:—

FIRSTLY.—All that piece or parcel of land with the messuage and building erected thereon, situate at Walkeshwar in the Registration Sub-District of Bhuleshwar, in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement one thousand six hundred and ninety-three square yards be the same, more or less, and bounded as follows:—On the North by the Harkness Hill Road, on the South partly by a public passage and partly by property of Jetha Doongersey, on the East by a public passage, and on the West by other property belonging to the estate of the said Calliandas Kirparam, deceased, and Registered in the Books of the Collector of Pension and Tax under Old No. 572, and New No. 2716, Old Survey No. 21 A, 2224, New Survey No. 7240, and Registered in the Books of the Collector of Assessment under Ward D No. 3231, and Street No. 6.

SECONDLY.—All that piece of Government vacant land with the fruit and other trees growing and standing thereon and including the well thereon situate, lying and being at Malabar Hill without the Fort, on the North side of the Doongersey Road within the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement two thousand three hundred and thirteen square yards and seven-ninths of another square yard or thereabouts, formerly forming a portion of a larger piece of vacant land admeasuring four thousand eight hundred and two square yards or thereabouts, belong to the said Chaturbhooj Govindjee, and bounded as follows:—That is to say on or towards the North partly by the property of the said Bhaidas Vallabhdas and Nagindas Vallabhdas and partly by the property of the late Callaindas Kirparam, on or towards the South and East by the said Doongersey Road and on or towards the West by a passage two feet in width, separating the said hereditaments and premises now in description from the remaining portion of the said vacant piece of land belonging to the said Chaturbhuj Govindjee of which they formerly formed a part and Registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 572, New No D 2718, Old Survey No. 1-7255, and Registered in the Books of the Municipality of Bombay under D Ward No. 3153 3168 and 3160, and Street Nos. 14, 22 and 24.

THIRDLY.—All that vacant piece or parcel of land situate at Walkeshwar, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement thirty-eight square yards forty-three of a square yard, and bounded as follows:—On the North, South and East by other property of the said purchasers Bhaidas Vallabhdas and Nagindas Vallabhdas, and on the West by the property belonging to the estate of the said Calliandas Kirparam and Registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 572, and New No. 2716, Old Survey No, 21, A/24, A/22, and New Survey No. 7240, and Registered in the Books of the Collector of Assessment under Ward D No. 3232, and Street No. D 8 and 10.

N.B.—The three plots above described now form one piece of land admeasuring 4,044 square yards or thereabouts, whereon is standing a bungalow with outhouses bearing Municipal D Ward Nos. 3231, 3232, 3153, 3253 and 3160, Street Nos. 6 D, 3, 10, 14, 22 and 24, and the said land and bungalow were till recently in the occupation of the tenants of the 1st and 2nd Defendants and are now vacant.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale application should be made at the Office of the said Acting Commissioner or at the Office of Messrs. PESTANJEE RUSTOM, KOLA & Co., Attorneys for the Plaintiffs above named at No. 79, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay.—Dated this 20th day of August, 1909.

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H. C. Radford,
For General Traffic Manager.
Bombay, 22nd September, 1909.

NOTICE.

THE PUBLIC are informed that on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd and TUESDAY, the 28th September, 1909, the following ROADS WILL BE CLOSED to Vehicular Traffic and reserved for public purposes between the hours of 4-30 and 8 P.M., on account of the immersion of Ganpatis:—

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The following STATE MOTOR-CARS are FOR SALE. All are in working orders:—

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3. DARRACQ.—2 cy. 10 H.P., Short Body.
4. DARRACQ.—2 cy. 10 H.P., Long Body.
5. DE DION—Single cy. 10 H.P., Long Body.
6. WOLSELEY.—2 Seated Single cy. 6 H. P.
7. STEAM CAR.—20 H. P (Chelmsford).
8. STEAM CAR.—20 H.P (Chelmsford).
GARDNER SERPOLETE.—16 H. P.

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HORBICK.—14-16 H.P., 4 seats	3,500
PANHARD.—15 H.P., 5 seats	3,400
BIANCHI.—25-30 H.P., 5 seats	5,000
De DION.—9 H.P., 4 seats...	2,100
REO—18 H.P., 5 seats	For offers.
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SALES BY AUCTION.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY
No. 7, MARINE STREET.

BONA-FIDE SALE.

Good opportunity for Merchants, and Gentlemen and others to buy English-made furniture.

THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 22nd instant, at 3 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Hornby Road, [illegible] opposite Messrs. Whiteway Laidlaw's Building, [illegible] mahogany, birchwood and satinwood furniture, best makers such as office and writing tables, roll-topped Davenports with master-key, revolving office chairs, bedroom suite of cupboard, dressing and washhand tables and chest of drawers, etc., drawingroom suite of sofas and chairs, cabinets, overmantles, jardiniers with brass pots, folding chairs, lined velvet light chairs, etc.

Catalogues are published and the goods are on view.

SPLENDID OPPORTUNITY FOR CAPITALISTS.

SALE OF the Baptist Church property at Bellasis Road, opposite the Byculla Club, including the Church and one-storied pucca built Bungalow.

Under instructions from the Trustees of Baptist Church, Bombay, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will, THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 22nd day of September 1909, at 4-30 p. m. (S.T.), sell by Public Auction on the premises the undermentioned immoveable property:—

Firstly:—All that piece or parcel of Government land or ground situate lying and being on the North side of Bellasis Road in the Registration Sub-District, formerly, of Mazagaon and now of Bombay, in the Town of Bombay, containing by admeasurement one thousand two hundred and fifty square yards or thereabouts, registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 71 and bounded on the North by an open road or space, leading to the main road, on the South by piece of land formerly belonging to Eli Hingley and now to Dr. M. B. Colah, on the West by a passage beyond which is the land, secondly hereinafter described, and on the East by a passage leading to the Government Medical Stores, together with the Chapel and buildings now erected and being upon the said piece of ground which said premises are now occupied by the said Trustees.

Secondly.—All that piece or parcel of land or ground, situate lying and being on the South side of Bellasis Road in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement one thousand three hundred and sixty-four square yards and six-ninths of a square yard, be the same little more or less and bounded as follows:—That is to say, on or towards the South by the property formerly belonging to Eli Hingley but now to Dr. M. B. Colah, on or towards the West by the property formerly belonging to Motilal Shivlal, but now to Shivlal Motilal, on or towards the North by a public foot path and the said Bellasis Road, and on or towards the East by a passage beyond which is the property firstly hereinbefore described together with the buildings and erections now standing thereon and used as the Minister's house of the said Baptist Chapel, all which said premises are now in the occupation of the Trustees of the Baptist Church.

The rent due to Government on both pieces of land has been redeemed.

For further particulars and printed conditions of sale application may be made to Messrs. Crawford Brown &

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned ESMAILJI MULLA VULLIBHOY and ESSAJI MUSAJI, ALIBHOY DOSSAJI and LOOKMANJI DOSSAJI are carrying on business in co-partnership under the name of ESMAILJI ALIBHOY & Co., but none of the partners has any right to sell, mortgage, alienate any of the partnership properties, moveable and immoveable, including the hulks of two steamers s.s. "Alavia" and "Afghan" including the broken parts and materials of the said and other vessels now lying at Darookhana, hired in the name of Essaji Alibhoy & Co. The public is warned against entering into my transaction relating to the properties of the said firm including the said Darookhana properties without the consent and writing of the undersigned and any person doing so will do so at his own risk and peril.

Dated this 21st day of September, 1909.

ESMAILJI MULLA VULLIBHOY.

SALES BY AUCTION.

BENNETT & COMPANY,
No. 28, APOLLO STREET.

AUCTION SALE of Motor-Cars, Accessories, Machinery, etc., belonging to the Western India Motor Car Coy., Ltd.

High Court
O. O. C. J.

In the matter of the Indian Company's Act V of 1882, and in the matter of the Western India Motor Company, Limited.

Under instructions from R. D. Setbna, Esq., the Official Liquidator of the above Company, Messrs. BENNETT and Coy. will sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY the 24th instant, at 3 p.m. (S. T.), on the premises at Rampart Row, Fort, the following:—

Lot No. 1 One 12 H. P. 2 Cylinder 4 seated "Beanfort" car.
" 2 One 8 H. P. 1 cylinder 4 seated "Darracq" car.
" 3 One 12 H. P. 2 cylinder 4 seated "Clement" car.
" 4 One 10 H. P. 2 cylinder "Argyle" car.
" 5 One 20 H. P. 4 cylinder Thorney Croft tipping waggon.
" 6 One 20 H. P. 4 cylinder 4 seated "Mitchel" car.
" 7 One 22 H. P. 4 cylinder "Orleans" car.
" 8 One 18-24 H. P. 4 cylinder four seated "Swift" car.
" 9 One Maharajah car without engine.
" 10 Five two tons "Beanfort" Lorries.

Motor car accessories, tyres, tools, tubes, spare parts, wheels, motor work shop machinery, such as wheel cutting machine, lathes, drilling, milling and shaping machines with shafting and pulleys.

One electric driving motor, one grind stone, one chuck for 3 1-2 in. lathe, one lathe 3 1-2 inch, one polishing and one grinding machine, garage tools, such as drill and vulcanising machines, spare parts, etc.

Also office furniture such as glass door cupboards, office tables, chairs, copying press, one fire proof iron safe, etc.

The above motor cars as well as the machinery and furniture will be sold in separate lots to suit the requirements of the intending purchasers.

The business of the Motor Service between Poona, Wathar and Mahableshwar, will be sold as a going concern, now carried on by the Western India Motor Co., Ltd. and comprises 14 Motor cars of the Beaufort-make, several tongas, about 39 horses, including saddles and harness, etc. also including the right of Mail Service concessions which carries a subsidy of Rs. 8,000 per annum from the Government and also a concession of carting agency for the Southern Maharatha Railway for carrying parcels and goods by through-booking, earning approximately Rs. 6,000 per annum.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. Payne and Co., Solicitors to the Official Liquidator, at No. 18, Esplanade Road, or to the undersigned.

AUCTION SALE of Very Valuable Property at Babula Tank Road, now in the occupation of Sir Adamji Peerbhoy as a tenant and used by him as a tent-factory.

Under instructions from Messrs. Payne and Co., Solicitors, to the representative of the original mortgagee the undermentioned property will be put up for sale by Public Auction, by Messrs. BENNETT & Co., on account and at the risk of the heirs and legal representatives of Dorabji Pestonji Patel, the mortgagor, at the premises, at Babula Tank, SATURDAY the 25th day of September, 1909, at 5 p. m. (S.T.)

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.
Babula Tank Property.

All that piece or parcel of pension and tax ground with the dwelling house and premises standing thereon, situate lying and being at or on Babula Tank Road in the registration District of Bombay, containing By admeasurement 6492 square yards or thereabouts, and registered by Collector of Land Revenue, under Old No. 143, New No. 1227, Old Survey No. 2495, New Survey No. 3623, and bounded on the east by a public lane or road called Babula Lane, on or towards the west by the Babula Tank, on or towards the north by the public road called Babula Tank Road, and on or towards the south by a house and premises of Mirza Mahomed Khan.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. Payne and Co., Solicitors, at 18, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, or to the undersigned.

On SATURDAY, the 25th instant, at 3-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, etc.

At 2 P. M. (S. T.)

1 handsome strong rubber-tyred victoria, in good order.
1 second-hand rubber-tyred palanquin office shigram, in good order.
1 second-hand glass-fronted miniature office brougham, in good order.
1 bay Arab horse, 6 years old, quiet, sound and showy, well-fitted in harness.
1 bay Arab, quiet in harness.
1 grey pony, quiet in harness and saddle.

AUCTION SALE of s. s. "Brittania."

On MONDAY, the 27th instant, at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, by order of the Agents, Bombay and Hujaz S. N. Co., of India, Ld.

The S. S. "Brittania" as she now lies off the Masagaon Bunder with all her gear, apparel and tackle and about 25 tons of coal. She was built by D and W Henderson, Glasgow, in 1879, gross tonnage 3069 tons, net 1970 tons, length 350 ft., breadth 38ft. 5in, depth 28ft. 7in., triple expansion 3 cylinders engines of 265 H. P. The steamer is sold for breaking up only.

A deposit of 50 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

AUCTION SALE of Very Valuable furnished Bungalow, known as "Mahableshwar Hotel," at Mahableshwar.

Under instructions from Messrs. Payne and Co., Solicitors to His Highness Sir Sultan Mahumadshah Agakhan, G. C. I. E., the undermentioned property will be put up for sale by Public Auction, by Messrs. BENNETT & Co., at their Rooms, on SATURDAY, the 9th day of October, 1909, at 4-30 p.m. (S. T.).

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.
Mahableshwar Property.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground bearing Survey No. 22, with the messuages, tenements, dwelling-houses, bungalows, furniture, outhouses and stables, on the Mahableshwar Hills, in the Registration Sub-District of Wai, Zillah Satara, and commonly known as the Mahableshwar Hotel or Laugum Lodge, and Laugum Hotel, and containing by admeasurement seven acres and thirty-four gunthas or thereabouts, and bounded on the east by the property bearing No. 38, on the west by the property bearing No. 70, on the North by the property No. 83, and on the south by a public road.

The furniture will be sold with the bungalow.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. Payne and Co., Solicitors, at 18, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, or to the undersigned.

BENNETT & Co.

Bombay, 22nd September, 1909.

NOTICE.

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

THE Hansa Line steamer Rotenfels 3,590 tons, Captain M. Von Freeden arrived in harbour on Monday evening from Hamburg with a general cargo.

THE Asiatic S. N. Company's steamer Nairung 2,862 tons Captain T. W. Corkhill arrived in harbour on Tuesday from Calcutta via Coast ports with a general cargo.

THE BISN Company's steamer Kasara, 505 tons, Captain E R Elton, arrived in harbour on Tuesday from Bushire &c. with a general cargo 45 cases opium and 167 deck passengers.

THE BISN Company's steamer Urlana, 3,384 tons, Captain J R Rose arrived in harbour on Tuesday from Rangoon, with a general cargo and 1 deck passenger.

THE Clan Line steamer Clan Colquhoun, 3,759 tons, Captain H Summer will sail to-day for Tuticorin via Mormugoa with the same bottom cargo.

THE Hall Line steamer Rydal Hall, 2,139 tons, Captain J E Denton, will sail to-day for Manchester and Avonmouth with a general cargo.

The Committee of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce have decided that Monday, 20th September should be regarded as a Full Weather Working Day for Vessels in the Prince's and Victoria Docks.

VESSELS IN DOCK.—Sept. 21.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Dest.	Date.	Agents.
BClan Colquhoun	3760	Summer	M Gon	22-9	J F & Co
C&R Pandit	3832	Crebbin	Java	24-9	T M'son & Co
D&E Chupra	3954	Henderson	Antwerp	28-9	M M & Co
F Gouverneur	2120	Burmeister	Zanzibar	30-9	A Strandes
K Bombay Maru	3398	Evans	Kobe	24-9	N Y Kaisha
M Alberto Treves	2446	Befeno	Calcutta	23-9	Verlice S N Co
O Stenthendrick	2843	Stewart	Baltimore		28-9 R A Willis
P Rotenfels	3591	Freeden	H'burg via Karachi		2 10 W & A Graham & Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

1 Hermiston...2926 Bain...Genoa ...5-10 T Morrison & Co
2 Olympia...3267 Tait ...L'pool . 25-9 W & A G & Co
3 Fazilka...2698 Williams...Calcutta..22-9..M M & Co
4 Rydal Hall . 2139.....Deaton ...Manchester ...22-9 K N A Co
7 Koerber...3157 Foresti... Trieste...1-10 A L S N Co
8 China.....3863 Barguglean...Kobe .....24-9 A L S N Co
9 Majidi..1857 Newby..Jeddah...23-9 ...B & P S N Co
10 & 11 Devanha...4785 Powell...Stream 23 9 P & O Co
13 Persia...4198 Haughton...London . 25-9 P & O Co
14 Kola.....510 Ramage...Busreh...23-9 M M & Co
16 Badrie.....1613...Collisono.....Jeddah .....24-9 G Jeewajee & Co

H. W. P. D.

Netravati...699 Cassam ... M'lore ...24-9 Bo S N Co Ld
Saraswati...413 Ahmed ...G Ports 23 9 Bo S N Co Ld

M W D D

Itola..... ....3102 Cunninghame ... Calcutta.....24-9 M M & Co

ARRIVALS.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander.	From
20	Rotenfels s	Von Freeden.	Hamburg, Aug. 21
21	Nairung s	Gorkhill	Calcutta, Aug. 27
	Kasara s	Elton	Bushire, Sept. 8
	Urlana s	Rose.....	Rangoon, Sept. 9

DEPARTURES.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
21	Penrose s.....	Steer	Barrow in Furness
	Sofala s	Babb	Sourabaya
	Wenssenfels s	Reimers	Hamburg, &c
	Hindoo s.....	Groves.....	Hull, &c

The following vessels obtained their portclearances on Tuesday:—

Steamer Clan Colquhoun Summer for Tuticorin via Mormugoa.
" Rydal Hall, Denton for Manchester, &c.

The following vessels began to load on Tuesday:—

Steamer Devanha for China, &c.
" Gonjpura for Persian Gulf, &c.
" Singur for Rangoon via Karachi, &c.
" Muttra for Calcutta, &c.
" Rotenfels for Hamburg, &c.

DAILY EXPORTS—SEPT. 21.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Olympia s.—30 bales wool, R Rampratap; 42 bales wool, H Mitha and Co; 56 bales wool, W and A Graham and Co; 300 bales wool, N Khataw; 50 bales wool, M J Joomabhoy and Co; 22 bales wool, C Kimatram; 54 bales wool, E D Sassoon and Co; 36 bales wool, and goat hair, A H Bundaally; 62 bales wool and goat hair, H Noormahomed and H Essa; 52 bales wool and goat hair, R M Kooka; 300 cwt nigerseed, Baner and Krause; 1,000 cwt bone meal Croft Mody and Co; 56 cases ghee, W and A Graham and Co; 71 bales wool, D Koondanmal; 19 bales wool, G Gungadas; 12 bales wool, N Goculdas; 22 bales wool, M Ramgopal; 100 bales hemp, R Reeve and Co.

FOR LONDON.

Persia s.—99 bales hides and skins, W and A Graham and Co; 12 bales hides, R M Cooka; 16 bales hides, H Oomer and H Moosa; 134 bales hides and skin, E D Sassoon and Co; 4 bales carpets, Fleming Shaw and Co; 75 bales rags, S Moosaji; 72 cwt aloes socotrine and 7 cases dragoon blood, A H Mawji and Co; 21 1-2 cwt gum copal, A Visram; 36 cwt fishmaws, R Dhunji and Co; 22 bales skins, R Moloobhoy.

FOR NEW YORK.

Persia s.—4 bales carpets, Fleming Shaw and Co.
Olympia s.—23 bales skins, E N Stein.

FOR MANCHESTER.

Olympia s.—3 bales twist, M Kanji and Co.

FOR ANTWERP

Chupra s—2,000 cwts rapeseed and 400 cwts mustardseed, Volkart Bros; 2,000 cwts bone pieces. Croft Mody and Co; 100 bales sawree cotton, W. Wolf and Sons, 55 bales cotton-fly, N. Peerbhoy; 110 bales cotton, M Bhimji and Co; 1,007 cwts myrabollums, P Mathooradas and Co.

FOR PORT SAID (for orders).

Rydal Hall s—7,500 cwts cottonseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR HAMBURG.

Glenden s—3,000 cwt ajwanseed and 4,000 cwts rapeseed, Volkart Bros.
Hermiston s—2002 cwt linseed, E. D. Sassoon and Co; 2,900 cwt oil seed cake, Glade and Co; 4,000 cwt rapeseed and 300 cwt poppyseed, J. Fachiri; 201 cwt. mustardseed, Bauer and Krause.

FOR GENOA.

Hermiston s—1 bale cotton waste and 49 bales rags, C Boggrano and Co; 2,002 cwts linseed and 2,000 cwts castorseed, A Blascheck and Co; 4,000 cwts rapeseed and 3,000 cwts linseed, Killick Nixon and Co.

FOR DUNKIRK.

Glenden s—200 bales hemp, R Reeve and Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Koerber s—2,000 cwts linseed, Killick Nixon and Co; 190 cwts olibanum, M Jafferbhoy; 3,000 cwts myrabollams, P Mathooradas and Co; 126 cwts mother of pearl shell, M Jafferbhoy.

FOR VENICE

Koerber s—2,000 cwts castorseed, Volkart Bros.

FOR ODESSA.

Koerber s—105 cwts turmeric and 52 cwts olibanum, R Damji and Co.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Delhi s—563 bales twist, E D Sassoon and Co; 450 bales twist, C Bomonji and Co; 140 bales twist, Tata Sons and Co; 1,000 bales twist, C Ebrahim and Co; 500 bales twist, Sassoon J David and Co; 30 bales twist, Framjee Sons and Co.
China s—428 bales twist, David Sassoon and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Delhi s—92 cases opium, P and O Co; 1,000 bales twist, C Ebrahim and Co; 200 bales twist, E D Sassoon and Co; 40 bales twist, Framji Sons and Co.
China s—72 bales twist, David Sassoon and Co.
Bombay Maru s—200 bales twist, Sassoon J David and Co.

FOR KOBE.

Bombay Maru s—110 bales cotton, Vatchaghandy and Sons; 250 bales cotton, B Jairam and Co.

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

LONDON MARKETS.

LONDON, 20TH SEPT. 09.] [BOMBAY, 21ST SEPT. 09.

FINANCIAL.

		Rates.	Plus. Minus
2½ per cent. Consols		83 2/8	1/8
3 do. Rentes		97 1/2	unchgd
3½ do. Sterling Loan		97 3/4	unchgd
3½ do. Govt Securities		62 15/16	unchgd
*Bar Silver in London		23 3/4	unchgd
do. do. 2 months' hence		23 3/4	unchgd
Silver in New York		51 1/2	unchgd
Exchange on London at Paris		25·14	unchgd
do. do. do. Berlin		20·40 1/2	1/2
do. do. do. New York		4·86	unchgd
Discount Bank of England Rate		2 1/2	Since 1st April.
do Short London Bills			unchgd
3 months' sight		1 5/8	
do. Indian Bank Bills 6 months' sight		2 3/8	1/8
do. 3 months' Fine Trade Bills		2 3/8	1/4
do. 6 months' Fine Trade Bills		3	1/8
Interest Day-to-day Loans		5/8	unchgd
do 7-day Market Loans		1	1/8
Bar Gold (per oz.)		77/10 5/8	1

Amount Withdrawn from the Bank of England..... £4,00,000 for Egypt.
Exchange on India, 30 days' sight (Bank's buying rate) ...1s. 3 25-32d. unchgd.
*Closing Tone of Silver—Firm buyers.

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL:—

Spots	Good demand.
Futures	Quiet
East Indian	Quiet.
Manchester	Steady.
Total Sales	10,000 bales
Imports	2,000 bales
Mid-Americans	7·05+09
Egyptian F, G, F, Brown	3 13-16 unchgd.

*Called 2,000

Future Delivery Prices:—

Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.	Dec.-Jan.
6·77	6·73	6·71	6·71
+08		+08	

Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-Apl.	Apl.-May	May-June
6·70	6·70	6·70	6·70	6·70
		+08		+09

New York:—

Receipts at U.S. Ports	16,000 Bales.
Do. do. last year	42,000 "
Exports to Great Britain	7,000 "
Do to Continent	40,000 "

Spot Cotton—12 00+15

Futures—Month of Oct. 12·76+·20 Advanced on Spinners reported to be bidding more freely and on unfavorable weather reports.

Do. do. Dec. 12·91+·21

New Orleans:—

Spot Cotton—12 11/16+1/8
Futures—Month of Oct. 12·67+·12
Do. do. Dec. 12·81+·20
Closing Tone of spot—Firm.

ADDITIONAL QUOTATIONS.

Fine Broach	d. 6 13-32
F. G. Broach	d. 6 11-32
Good Broach	d. 6 6-32
Fine Bhownagger	d. 5 24-32
F. G. Bhownagger	d. 5 23-32
Good Bhownagger	d. 5 13-32
Fine Oomras	d. 5 23-32
F. G. Oomras	d. 5 22-32
Good Oomras	d. 5 18-32
Good M. G. Oomras	d. 5 18-32
Fine M. G. Oomras	d. 5 26-32
Fine Bengals	d. 5 10-32
F. G. Bengals	d. 5 6-32
Good Bengals	d. 5 2-32
Fine M. G. Bhownagger	d. 5 24-32
Good Khandeish	d. 5 12-32
F. G. Khandeish	d. 5 16-32

WHEAT.

White Choice Karachi C.I.F.—29 1-2—Oct.-Nov.—London—Sellers.
Wheat afloat for U. K. Qrs.—1,400,000.

SOUTH AMERICAN.

Baletto Russa 62½lbs.—Nominal—Quiet but Steady.

SEEDS.

Rapeseed—
Yellow Gujrat per 416 lbs., 85 per cent. ex-ship—44 1-2 Sept.-Oct.—Antwerp—Sellers.
Yellow Cawnpore, per 416 lbs., 85 per cent. ex-ship—43 3-4 Sept.-Oct.—Antwerp—Sellers.
Brown Cawnpore—41 1-4 Sept.-Oct.—Antwerp—Sellers.

Linseed:—
Linseed Argentine La Plata 47 3-4—Oct.-Nov.—Dunkirk—Done.

MISCELLANEOUS.

COFFEE:—
In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality) 7 1-4 unchgd.

Sugar:—
German granulated sugar, double bags, C. and F. India 13s. 6d.
Months of Shipment—November-December.—Sellers.
Tone of Sugar—Quiet.

Rubber:—
Para Rubber, 8s. 3d.—Sellers.

WOOL AUCTION.

The Liverpool wool auction opened to-day firm with fair demand.
Vicanere first white unquoted.
" ordinary white highest 7 1-2d.
" " " lowest 6 3-4d.
Candahar first white unquoted.
" ordinary white highest 7 3-4d.
" " " lowest 6 1-2d.
Bicanere white highest 7 1-2d.
" " lowest 6d.
ARRIVALS:—
"Brookley" and "Trafford Hall."

BOMBAY MARKETS.

TUESDAY EVENING.] [21ST SEPT. 1909.

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Packages.	Value.	From	Importer.
3 Packages Sovs.	Rs. 4,650	Marseilles	Sundry Importers
Gold Coins ...	12,378		
1 Box Sovs	3,000	Suez	G. Radhakisondass
2 Boxes Sovs.....	1,552	Aden	Sundry Importers
Gold Coins.....	16,949		
1 Bundle Rupees	978	C Mandvie	M Mackenzie & Co
1 Box Gold Bullions	75,697	Freemantle	Mercantile Bank
3 Boxes Gold Bullions	2,25,000	Sydney	National Bank
2 Boxes Gold Bullions	1,52,016	Freemantle	
174 Boxes Rupees	6,95,997	Bushire	Asst.-Acct.-Genl.-in-charge, Reserve Treasury

EXPORTS OF BAR SILVER BY RAIL from Bombay on 18th and 19th September 1909.

By	Bars.	Ounces.
G. I. P. Railway	17	18,452
B. B. & C.I. Railway	82	93,096

FINANCIAL.

Bank Rates:—

Bank of England	2½ per cent,	from 1st April.
Bank of Bengal	3 per cent,	" 1st July.
Bank of Bombay	3 per cent.	" 15th July.
Bank of Madras	4 per cent.	" 20th July

Loans:—
Borrowers for 3 months at 2 1-2 per cent. per annum.

Exchange:—
The Exchange Market is steady. Rates are 1s. 3 29-32d. for Telegraphic Transfers, 1s 3 15-16d. Bank Demand, and 1s. 4 1-16 to 1s. 4 3-32 for Credits 3 Months' Sight. Far Eastern rates are steady.

We quote:—

T. T. on London	1s. 3 29-32d.
Demand Draft	1s. 3 15/16d.
Credits—3 months' sight	1s. 4 1-16d. to 1s. 4 3-32d.
Do 6 months' sight	1s. 4 7-32d.
Do 2 months' sight—France	168 1-2
Do 3 months' sight—Marks	137 1-2
Sovereigns—30 days' sight	129 3-4
Yokohama—30 days' sight	152 1-4
Shanghai—30 days' sight	173 1-4

Government Paper:—
This Market opened at 94 3-4 for the 30th September settlement, declined to 94 11-16, but rallied to 94 3-4, at which there were a few buyers at the close. Ready Paper was quoted 1-16 per cent. higher. Only a small business has been transacted to-day. There were buyers in Calcutta in the forenoon at 94 3-4 for cash and 94 5-8 forward delivery within a month.

We quote:—

Cash	...	Rs. 94-13	Buyers
1st Settlement	...	" 94-12	

Bullion:—
Silver in London was unchanged yesterday at 23 3-4 for ready as well as forward delivery in 2 months. Private telegrams stated that the market closed steady, with sellers at 1-16d. higher. The New York rate was unaltered at 51 1-2. Our local market opened at 60 4, ex-duty, for ready as well as October delivery, and was maintained at that level throughout the day. The November settlement kept 3 to 4 annas higher. A small business only has been put through.

The following are the closing prices for Bar Gold:—

	Rs. a. p.
English Bar Gold	24 3 0
Australian Bar Gold	24 2 0
Bombay Bar Gold	24 1 0
English Shield Sovereigns	15 7 0
English Dragon Sovereigns	15 1 6
Silver as Duty—Ready	60 4 6a
Ditto 1st Settlement	60 4 6a
Ditto 2nd Settlement	60 7 6a

Quiet.

COTTON.

Market Report:—
In sympathy with the continued advance in the Home markets, our market is firmer and prices are improving. There is a good demand by exporters, and a fair business is being done, but sellers are by no means keen, and there are few orders to sell from up-country. The premium on near deliveries of Oomras is increasing. The market closes steady as under.

QUOTATIONS:—	Rs.	Delivery.
Fine M. G. Broach	288	Mar. 1910
Good M. G. Broach	272-1	" "
Fine M. G. Nagpur-Kampti	260	Jan. 1910
Fine M.G. Damangaum-Pulgaon	254	" "
Fine M. G. Khangaum-Akola	249	" "
Fine M. G. Amraoti	249	" "
Fine M. G. Muttia	237	" "
F. G. M. G. Khandeish	229	" "
Fine. M. G. Khandeish	238	" "
Fine M. G. Bengals	227	" "
Fine M. G. Bengals	285	Dec. 1909
Fine M. G. Bengals	247	Nov. 1909
F. G. H. G. Bengals	209 1-2	Jan. 1910

Liverpool Opener:—

Opening Tone	Firm.
Estimated Sales	12,000 bales.
Total Imports	9,000 "

Future Delivery Prices:—

Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.	Dec.-Jan.
6·84	6·80	6·77	6·77
+07	+07	+06	+06

Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-Apl.	Apl.-May.	May.-June.
6·76	6·76	6·76	6·76	6·76
+09	+06	+06	+06	+06

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

Linseed:—
The market is quiet with little doing.
We quote:—

Ready	...	Rs. 8 9 0	B. T.
Sept.	...	Rs. 9 0 0	R. T.

RAPESEED:—
The market is quiet with a small business passing.
We quote:—

Ready Brown Kutni	Rs. 6 13 0	B. T.
Ready Yellow Gujarat	" 7 6 0	"
Ready Yellow Cawnpore	" 7 4 0	"
Brown Delhi, April-May	" 7 1 6	R. T.

GINGELLYSEED:—

Bold White 85 per cent.	Rs. 42 0 0	
White Khandeish	" 47 0 0	

Tone—Quiet and Easier.

POPPYSEED:—

September.	Rs. 9 11 0	R. T.

Tone—Quiet.

CASTORSEED:—

Ready	Rs. 33 8 0	
Sept.-Oct.	" 6 14 0	R. T.

Tone,—Easier.

COTTONSEED:—

Ready	Rs. 23 8 0	
Dec. Jan.	" 23 0 0	

SAFFLOWRASEED:—

Sept.-Oct.	Rs. 5 15 6	R. T.

Tone—Easier.

WHEAT:—
The market is quiet with little doing.
We quote:—

White Delhi, Sept.	Rs. 5 14 0	R. T.
White-Delhi, April-May	" 5 4 3	"

THE SHARE MARKET.

Banks:—

Bombay	1472 1-2
India	66 1-2
Indian Specie	52 1-2
Bank of Burma	110

Mills:—

New Great Eastern	197 1-2
Phœnix	81 1-4
Standard	1,100

Presses:—

New Berar	527 1-2

Miscellaneous:—

Badham File & Co	128
Bombay E. S. & T. Co. Ordinary	90
Bombay E. S. & T. Co. Preference	148 1-2
Bombay Steam Nav. Preference	287 1-2 to 290
Colaba Land and Mill	1,160
Treacher and Co	570

Railways:—

Ahmedabad-Dholka	113
Ahmedabad-Prantej	590
Tapti-Valley	425

RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of Cotton and Produce into Bombay during the 48 hours ended at 6 p.m. yesterday:—

Cotton	531 bales.
Wheat	14,997 cwts.
Linseed	1,833 "
Rapeseed	5,169 "
Gingellyseed	1,549 "
Poppyseed	1,540 "
Groundnuts	618 "
Castorseed	4,167 "
Rice	77,079 "
Myrabollams	172 "
Cottonseed	8,949 "
Mowraseed	1,807 "
Gram	1,375 "
Jowar	48 "
Maize	33 "

CALCUTTA SHARE MARKET.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA SEPTEMBER 21.

Exchange on demand is 1s. 3 15-16d; 3 1-2 per cent. Government paper is at Rs. 94-11.

Share Market.—To-day's market for shares of all description has ruled dull and flat with very little business passing.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcement of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS, and MEMORIAM NOTICES, which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender is Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional line. CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

INDIA.

BIRTHS.

LIBRA—September 3, at the Eden Sanitarium, Darjeeling, the wife of Mr. F. H. von Bibra, of a son.
GRICE—September 17, at 9, Dalhousie Square, Calcutta, the wife of W. T. Grice, of a son.
MORTIMER—September 14, at the Eden Sanitarium, Darjeeling, the wife of Mr. E. B. Mortimer, of a daughter.

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TO-DAY.

Sunrises 6h. 28m.; Sun-sets, 6h. 36m.; High water, 3-45m., 3-22a; Low water, 9-10m.; 9-37a.
Triangular Cricket Matches, Bombay Gymkhana Ground, Parsis vs. the Presidency.
Bombay Standing Committee, 4-10 p.m.
Kilties' Band, Matinee 5-30 p.m., evening concert, 9-30 p.m. Town Hall.
Rovers Football Tournament: Y. M. C. A. vs. Bombay Gymkhana, Cooperage, 5-45 p.m.

Maxim: "He that is surety for another is never sure of himself."

THE WEEK'S CALENDAR.

Thursday, September 23.—Bombay Mud Sports, 5-30 p.m. Triangular Cricket Matches: Parsis vs. the Presidency. Bombay Art Society Annual General Meeting in the Hon'ble Sir Basil Scott's Chambers, High Court, 5-40 a.m. The Kilties' Band, Town Hall, 9-30 p.m. Rovers' Football Tournament, Cooperage, 5-45 p.m. Sun rise 6h. 28m.; Sunset 6h. 38m.; High water, 4-56m., 4-28m.: Low water, 10-50, 10-59.

Friday, September 24.—The Kilties' Band, Town Hall, 9-30 p.m. Rovers' Football Tournament, Cooperage, 5-45 p.m. Hyderabad (Deccan) Spinning and Weaving Company Extraordinary General Meeting, 3, Tamarind Lane, 3 p.m. Cricket Match at Ganeshkhind, Poona, H. E. the Governor's XI vs. J. M. Framjee Patel's XI. Sun rises 6h. 28m.; Sun sets 6h. 35m.; High water 6-26m.; 6-2a.; Low water 1-25a.

Saturday, September 25.—Bombay Gymkhana Cricket: "A" team vs Baronet: "B" team vs The Technical Institute. The Kilties' Band, Town Hall, 9-30 p.m. Rovers' Football Tournament, Cooperage, 5-45 p.m. Sun rises, 6h. 28m.; Sunsets, 6h. 34m.; High water, 7-52m., 7-57a.; Low water, 0-43m., 2-24a.

Sunday, September 26.—16th Sunday after Trinity. Sun rises, 6h. 28m.; Sun sets, 6h. 32m.; High water, 8-50m., 8-46a.; Low water, 1-52m., 3-10a.

Monday, September 27—Rovers' Football Tournament, Cooperage, 5-45. Sun rises 6h 28m, Sun sets 6h. 30m. High water 9h 38; 9-45a. Low water 2h.-31m. 2-50a.

FIRE IN FORJETT STREET.—A jowlee hut, consisting of six compartments, situated in Forjett Street, caught fire from a lamp that was left hanging near the idol of Ganpati in the hut yesterday morning, and before any assistance could be given the hut was destroyed.

BAL GANGADHAR TILAK REMOVED TO MANDALAY JAIL.—Bal Gangadhar Tilak, who was confined in the Jail at Mandalay, but was removed from it temporarily on account of an outbreak of cholera, has again been removed to Mandalay under a strong escort.

A MUSAFERKHANA FOR HAJIS.—Mr. Mahomed Haji Sabu Sidik, during his life time, offered a large sum of money for building a Musaferkhana for Hajis in Bombay, but his death put a stop to the arrangements for the building. The deceased's trustees, according to his wish, have now come forward to build the Musaferkhana, and tenders for the construction of the building by contract have already been invited.

DEATH OF A PARSI SOLICITOR.—We regret to record the death of Mr. Jamsetji Cowasji Patel, of the firm of Messrs. Mansukhlal, Jamsetji and Hiralal, Solicitors of the Bombay High Court, which took on Sunday evening last at his residence at Dadar. Educated in the St. Xavier's College, he obtained his B.A. degree of the Bombay University in 1883, and the LL.B. degree in 1889. Having successfully passed the Solicitors' examination, he joined the firm of Messrs. Mansukhlal and Damodar, Solicitors. He ably conducted the legal business of the firm of Messrs. Mulji Jaitha and Co., and on several occasions elicited complimentary remarks from Mr. Justice Russell for his industry and zeal in affording facilities to the Court in the enquiries before it. The deceased was a gentleman of a genial temperament and obliging disposition, and as a member of the Managing Committee of the Sir Dinshaw Manekji Petit Gymnasium, rendered valuable service to the institution.

ANOTHER INDIAN I.C.S.—Information has been received that Mr. Benegal Narsing Rao, who passed the last Cambridge Mathematical Tripos as 9th Wrangler, has successfully passed the recent I.C.S., Examination. He is the son of Dr. Benegal Ragavendra Rao of Vellore. After a brilliant career at the Madras University winning the Gold Medal, as a double Graduate, Narsing Rao proceeded to England on a Government of India Scholarship. At Cambridge he won the Major Scholarship of £100 a year and came out ninth Wrangler. His elder brother, Sanjiva Rao, after a successful career at Cambridge, has joined, with much self-sacrifice, the Central Hindu College, Benares, where he is Professor of Science and Mathematics. A younger brother, Rama Rao, who is also a double Graduate of the Madras University, has also proceeded to England and is at present studying at Cambridge with a view to compete for the I.C.S., The Benegals hail from South Canara and belong to a very intelligent family of Saraswat Brahmins.

THE BANDRA FEAST.—The feast of Our Lady of Nativity, or more popularly known as "Mont Maulicha San" or the Bandra Feast, was brought to a close on Sunday last. It fell on the 8th instant, but it being a week day, was kept on Sunday, the 12th, and as it is the grandest feast to the Catholics of India, the festivities or ceremonies in the Church were kept up to Sunday last. From the 8th instant pilgrims—Christians and non-Christians—from various parts of Hindustan began to pour into the town in shoals, to lay their homage or offer votive offerings at the shrine of Our Lady. The rush of pilgrims was greatest on Sunday the 12th as there were grand ce

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OUR NEAREST NEIGHBOUR.

To-MORROW occurs the most important opposition of Mars which has happened for many years, as he will be in closer proximity to the earth than he has been since 1877. Telescopes magnifiying three thousand diameters will bring the planet within an apparent distance from the earth of twelve thousand miles—a twentieth of the actual distance of the moon. In the full belief that Mars is inhabited, our own astronomers will to-morrow make strenuous efforts to discover what these inhabitants are like and what they are doing—no mean effort at that distance. Thousands of telescopes will be directed towards the red planet and hundreds of the most perfect cameras will be used to-night, with the object of taking pictures of the marvellous canals and other mysterious markings. Two years ago, when Mars was almost ten million miles further away than he is to-day, Professor Lowell succeeded in photographing some of the canals, and believes that after to-morrow he will be able to present us with some startling revelations. In the opinion of Professor Lowell, the engineers of Mars, superior to those of the Earth, have completely gridironed their planet with wonderful works, and M. Nicola Tesla goes further, believing that every time Mars approaches within close quarters with the earth, her electricians send out to us wireless messages across interplanary space in the endeavour to attract our attention and to open up communication. This is a year of scientific achievement, and to-morrow may bring forth discoveries in Mars more remarkable than those of Dr. Cook or Lieutenant Peary in the Polar regions, or the advances noted in aviation. On a former occasion M. Tesla reported that he had detected electro-magnetic pulses in the atmosphere which he could explain in no other very than by the supposition that they were governed by some high order of intelligence and originated on Mars. With his great tower and powerful electric plant on Long Island, M. Tesla believes that he could respond to the Martians if the financial requirements were provided. Funds have been subscribed, but it may be he will fail for the want of the last few annas. Few of the scientists who will observe Mars to-night, will aim at communicating with his people. They prefer to study them in silence before approaching speaking terms, rude perhaps, but preferable to finding it necessary hereafter to cut them and decline to hold further communication. Better to learn what manner of men the Martians really are before entering into regular correspondence, so the great bulk of the observers will merely observe and make notes of their observations.

Professor Serviss, writing in the New York *American* of the preparations for this great day for astronomers, tells us that his colleagues will bend their energies first of all to an attempt to discover whether there really are any Martians, with whom to exchange the time of day. And for this purpose instruments of enormous power are now available. In addition to the many great telescopes in Europe, there are the three-foot Lick glasses on Mount Hamilton, the forty-inch Yerkes glass at the Chicago Observatory and the twenty-six inch glass at the United States Naval Observatory, Professor Lowell's two-foot glass in Arizona, the twenty-three inch glass at Princeton, a whole battery of glasses and mirrors at the Harvard Observatory, and the five-foot reflector at the Carnegy Observatory and others which were not available in former years. It is perhaps unfortunate that most of these great instruments are on American soil, though we have the consolation of knowing that astronomical explorers are not nearly so imaginative as those who confine their attention to geographical research, and canals are not inspiring. Most attention will be directed to the canals and the evidence they offer will be most carefully sifted. So too that of the so-called oases, the mysterious round spots at which the canals meet and cross. They lie in the midst of what seem to be desert regions of the planet, and the prevailing theory is that they are irrigated tracts and probably the centres of dense population. In the words of Professor Serviss, some of the oases are extremely complicated in their structure and bear every resemblance to centres of activity on the earth, for they are evidently the foci to which everything is made to tend. Since, according to this theory, the inhabitants of Mars have been driven by the dessication of their planet to restrict their residence to narrow bands on the planet's surface, where only irrigation can be effectively practised, the congestion of population in those narrow bands may be supposed to have attained a maximum. It is presumed that in these places the Martians, who are believed to be of gigantic stature, are living by a constant struggle for existence, where only the fittest can survive. We are invited to picture the scene in these congested tracts and swarming cities when the spring opens and the longed-for water begins to come from the Poles—enormous pumps unlimbering for work, the feverish anxiety in the fields and gardens, the anxiety of the engineers lest the tremendous machinery should fail, the floods that sometimes occur in consequence of the breaking of conduits and reservoirs—not many years ago, Schiaparelli, the Italian Astronomer, saw a region on Mars as large as France apparently inundated from the bordering canals—the awakening activies of the population as the life-giving water begins to moisten their fields and the vegetation commences to spring up, the crush on all the lines of communication, the hurrying to and fro of producers and consumers, the crowding of the narrow ways, when alone existence is possible and traffic practicable.

Perhaps the Martians, if there are any, would smile at this picture of them if they could read it, and it may be that every other picture fancy has painted of them is wrong both in drawing and colour. Probably, they know more of us than we know of them, and to-morrow may gain more information concerning us than we gain of them. Astronomers, it is conceivable may discover enough to upset all their preconceived notions, and we may be told it is a mistake to suppose the Martians are shut in on every side by burning deserts and that the narrow tracts they are able to render habitable are thronged like anthills. It may be that if there are burning deserts at all they are to the Martians preferable to our green glades and shady glens, and that they are much happier in their surroundings than we in ours. Because the country is sandy and hot it is no proof that it is not what they like, as the little red insect prefers to live in and on Cayenne pepper rather than on green peas. They may be giants and expert engineers, they may be pigmies and dolts and the desert may or may not be burning them up, one day hoping to consume them altogether. It may be they have set their hearts on invading the earth, but the day is not yet either for them or us. We may know more of them by the end of this week or we may have come in opposition with them just in time to witness the disappearance of the last oasis and the death of the last man. Yet how much our astronomers may be able to discover will depend very much on trifles, a black cloud no bigger than a man's hand may obscure the planet at the critical time and leave us as much in the dark as we are to-day, and even more inclined to speculate on the mysteries of Mars and the manners and customs of the Martians.

CROP REPORTS IN INDIA.

At intervals all the Local Governments in India issue estimates and returns of the various kinds of crops as a guide to the condition of the agriculture of the country. Such estimates are perforce only approximately true, for, though the agricultural records in connection with the assessment of Land Revenue make it possible to state with great exactness, the area sown with each crop the determining of the average yield per area is by no means an easy matter, and at the best the estimate given is of the nature of guess-work even after careful consideration of the classes of soil, the methods of cultivation and the climatic conditions. The fault in these estimates, however, is generally on the right side by being too low, so that when bad reports are issued it is by no means necessary to take an alarmist view of the future. The attention recently paid to the estimates of the cotton and wheat crops showed that some of the estimates relating to past years were extremely defective, but measures have been taken which appear already to have effected a substantial improvement. The revision of the estimates which was attempted has not, however, been entirely successful, for the reason that there are large unregistered movements of cotton across provincial boundaries by road, while the information from most of the Native States is defective, and the internal consumption other than that in mills defies accurate computation. A conventional estimate of consumption outside mills has, however, been made in consultation with the Bombay Cotton Trade Association. In view of the carrying over of stocks from one year to another, it is interesting to calculate the averages on these figures. Estimates of area and production are now received from various areas which were formerly unreported; but the fact that the total estimated outturn continues to fall short of the total of net exports, and consumption shows that there is still much room for improvement in the estimates of production. Great attention has also been paid to increasing the accuracy of the jute reports, but here also much remains to be done, while the compiling of the wheat crop report is extremely difficult, since there is a very large but scattered area which cannot be estimated in any way. It would seem safe, therefore, to take the brightest possible view of the reporting areas allowing for any discrepancy to be made up by the unreported areas. In this respect the Feudatory States have to be considered. Generally, these are omitted, the exception being in Bombay and Sind, but even here there is a vast difference between the more or less accurate reports from the Presidency proper and the haphazard methods of the Native States. It would almost seem desirable to make a thorough investigation of the ratio of exports to reported areas over a series of years in order to determine more closely the degree of accuracy of the reports, for the information thus gathered would be invaluable in making the programmes for fighting famine.

BLIND TRAVELLERS BY RAIL.

An interesting question has been raised by some of the railways at Home in regard to the rights of blind persons travelling by rail. Blind people, when travelling unaccompanied, are frequently, it must be admitted, a source of trouble and anxiety to busy railway officials, and of inconvenience to their fellow passengers, but that does not in any way alter their right, to make use of public means of conveyance. Fortunately, in the East amongst the many inconveniences of of railway travelling, this does not count as one. Blind Indians as a rule give the railways a wide berth unless they are people of wealth and position, who can take with them their own attendants to care for their comfort and safety. In England, however, things are different. At the same time the Great Eastern Railway and some half dozen of the metropolitan railways cannot be justified for their action in refusing to carry blind persons, unless they are accompanied by attendants. The majority of the blind population of Great Britain are people in poor circumstances. Severely handicapped as they are by their great affliction, it is often as much as they can do to earn a respectable living for themselves and their families. Therefore, it is the duty of all, who meet them in the ordinary course of daily avocations to treat them with a consideration and care, which are not demanded by others who are fortunate to possess their full faculties, There cannot be the least justification for the railways wilfully putting in their way another serious obstacle to the earning of a living wage. But such can be the only effect of such a restriction as the metropolitan railways have imposed. It is as much as many of the blind can do to find out of their limited resources the railway fares, which are necessary to carry them to and from their work. To pay the wages and fares of a personal attendant would be impossible, and persistence in imposing the restriction can only have the effect of precluding many blind people from taking part in remunerative employment and making them a charge upon the country or on their friends. The matter has been taken up by the Board of Trade, who have sensibly pointed out that there is no reason why the blind should not travel at their own risk as has been the customary practice. Consequently, the Great Eastern Railway, which originated the restriction, has withdrawn it. Pressure is being brought upon the metropolitan railways to follow suit, and all true friends of the blind who can exert any influence will not fail to use it. It is estimated that 20,000 blind people in Great Britain are dependent on the railways to carry them to their places of work.

MR. J. KENRICK, the newly appointed Advocate-General of Bengal arrives at Bombay by the mail due, on the 22nd proximo.

MR. W. H. BUCHAN, Registrar of Co-operative Credit Societies, Bengal, returns to India from furlough next month.

LAND is being taken up for the main line of the Allahabad Railway, the construction of which is being pushed on within the Partabgarh District.

AT a public meeting at Sylhet on Sunday, a ratepayers' association was formed to take steps to protect the town from the annual malarial scourge and to secure general sanitary improvement.

MR. MOLLISON, Inspector-General of Agriculture, leaves Simla this week for the Bombay Presidency on tour. Mr. Beadon Bryant, Inspector-General of Forest, leaves Simla on his autumn tour early next month.

MR. LEFROY, Entomologist at the Pusa Research Institute, is forming a Committee in India in connection with the International Entomological Congress, which meets at Brussels next August.

THE prospects of the autumn harvest in the United Provinces are now reported as almost uniformly good, except in some of the districts along the Ganges and Rogra Rivers, where certain lowland tracts have been seriously damaged by floods. The principal shadow in the outlook is malaria, which most of the United Provinces Districts now report.

A SALONICA message received by the *Neue Freie Presse* states that the ex-Sultan Abdul Hamid is showing symptoms of insanity. He had not undressed for several days, and for three nights had been walking up and down his apartments and behaving in a manner which indicated the disturbed state of his mind.

AN espionage affair has been discovered at Sedan, leading to the arrest of a coffee-house keeper of foreign origin who has been taken by the police to Chalons. Several persons are implicated. One of them is said to have carried on a service of carrier pigeons with Germany.

THE Rev. T. G. Bonney, Emeritus Professor of Geology at the University College of London, has been elected President of the British Association for the next year, when the Association will meet at Sheffield.

THE WORLD OF SPORT.

CRICKET AND FOOTBALL.

(FROM OUR SPORTING CORRESPON DENT.)

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 3.

THE efforts to arrive at one universal definition of an amateur, had advanced another step, but the day, when all governing bodies will agree, is a long way off. After long discussion and many conferences, exchange of views, and the consideration of proposals by the world's authorities, the Olympic Committee has submitted several important queries to the sports' governing bodies of the world. These are some of them: "Can a man be an amateur at one sport and a professional at another?" to which the writer would answer "No." Another is: "Can a man recover his amateur status, after once losing it?" which the writer would also answer in the negative, save with the one exception when the loss of status was due to ignorance. "May amateurs receive expenses" is a query, which should be answered by "Yes." Chief of all, however, is the query: "Does a man lose his amateur status through running against a professional?" The writer's views are well known and he has long contended that no restrictions should be placed in the way of competition between amateurs and professionals at running, swimming, etc., as is now allowed in golf, tennis, racquets, cricket, turf, etc. True, amateurism will only be possible in athletics, when professionalism is fostered, for at present we have runners and cyclists competing as amateurs, when their right to the title cannot be upheld. The great obstacle to this innovation is that governing associations always have the bogey of malpractices connected with professionalism in the past in mind, quite ignoring the all-important fact that there was no governing association to keep the pros in order. With an association governing both amateur and professional atheletes, "the powers that be" would rule over just the same men as at present compete as amateurs, and there would be more difficulty because they were more correctly labelled. Indeed, there would be less, for with money prizes to be won, there would be no need for the poor runner to try and get a bit by betting, which might then be entirely stamped out.

VERY GOOD RUNNING.

Although England cannot boast of a real champion sprinter, we possess a good runner in C. J. Oliver, of the Sparkhill Harriers. At the Birmingham charity sports, on Saturday, he won the 120 yards' handicap from the 3½ yards mark in 11 4-5secs. He had two preliminary heats and the final to run, and twice showed 11 4-5secs., consequently he must hav taken something out of himself before the toed the line with N. J. Cartmell and M. Chapman for the 100 yards' level race. In spite of this, he held Cartmell for 50 yards, but the American's fine finish then told and he won by a good yard in 10 1-5secs. Cartmell's win, by the way, was his third at the meeting in this particular event, and he is well known and liked in Birmingham. To return a moment to Oliver, he is a much-improved runner and is the most likely of the home cracks to develop championship form.

FINE STAYERS.

Two of England's best stayers "caught the judge's eye" at the Easthourne meeting last Saturday. The turf track was in splendid condition, so that A. E. Wood and A. J. Robertson were expected to do some fast running. Wood ran a well-judged race in the open mile, which he won from the 20 yards' mark in 4mins. 20 4-5secs. This is clear proof that he is a fine "miler" and if he trained specially for the distance, he would probably do close to 4-20 all the way. Robertson started from the 5 yards' mark, but really saved himself for the three miles' level race. In this he had his rivals well beaten soon after passing the two miles mark and eventually won easily from Wood, by 50 yards in 14mins. 34secs. Robertson is a wonderfull all-round performer, and if he specialised more, he would certainly improve on all his previous best efforts. His "forte" is staying, and in the writer's opinion he would "smother" all records from 25 to 50 miles, if he trained and went for the distances. He would like to do so, but in deference to his wife's wishes, refrains from the attempt.

PEDESTRIANISM.

Another of the old-time pedestrians in Charley Rowell of Cambridge has joined the great majority. The deceased was born at Cambridge 55 years ago, and earned a great name as a six days ped. Some of his records still stand, notably those from 12 to 81 hours, with the exception of that for 26 hours. All those were made at Madison Square Gardens, New York in 1882, when Rowell ran 89 miles 1,540 yards in 12 hours, and 150 miles 395 yards in 23 hours. He then took three hours' rest, after which covered 383 miles 615 yards in 81 hours. Rowell was the first ped to get the 600 miles in a six days go-as-you-please, and he still holds the record of 430 miles for a six days' race—restricted to 12 hours a day. It is not often we see professionals trying to beat the records of amateurs, but A. B. Postle, of Australia, was advertised to do so at Burnley recently. He set himself the task of trying to improve on the 9 4-5secs. for 100 yards, which A. F. Duffey and W. A. Schick (both of America) accomplished while in England, and which stand as the English record. Postle is a fine sprinter, but has never yet satisfied the best judges that he compares with such great amateurs as Duffey and Wefers, the latter being, in the writer's opinion, the best amateur the world has yet produced and second only to Harry Hutchens, if we include professionals as well. Postle had Todd of Australia to pace him, and reached the tape in 10secs, while he also just beat 8secs. for 75 yards in a handicap at that distance.

RECORD CYCLING.

W. J. Bailey, of the Polytechnic C. C., the new world's amateur champion short-distance cyclist, has just broken a record, which had a long life—as records go nowadays. This was J. T. Gascoigne's 25 2-5secs. for an unpaced "quarter" with a flying start, which the Chesterfield professional created at Catford in 1900. Sprint tyres are certainly faster now than they were ten years ago, therefore Gascoigne's record must be voted to have been an exceptional one. Bailey cut the time by one-fifth of a second and there is no question about the new crack being a world-beater. Turning to long distance work, Frank Wingrave competed in the annual North Road Club's 24 hours unpaced race, and though without any special training, he put up a really splendid performance by riding 283¾ miles and so taking first place.

POLO.

The Irish team did very well during the first half of the polo match against England on Monday, but after this the visitors were easily superior. Phœnix Park was the chosen venue, and owing to the originally selected home team,—Irish County Polo Clubs' Union—having been defeated (8 goals to 3) by Woodpickers in the All-Ireland Open Polo Cup final on Saturday, three changes were made in the side to meet England, Harry Rich, Captain H. Wilson, A. N. Edwards and Captain C. C deCrespigny represented the winners, the team thus being very different from the one so badly beaten for the America Cup. Ireland's four were: The Hon. A. Hastings, Major B. Clayton, Captain J. H. Lloyd and L. M. Ryan. Half time arrived with England leading by 5 goals to 3, but during the remainder of the game, the visitors scored 5 more goals, without response, and so easily secured the Patriotic Cup, making the sixth victory in the series of seven games.

BOXING.

The latest match ratified between cracks, is one of twenty rounds for £100 aside and a purse of £500 (2,500 dollars) between Fred Welsh and J. Fletcher. This is to be decided at Mountain Ash on September 6th, and the little Welsh mining town is becoming very prominent in the fistic world. Fletcher has not got such a big reputation as his rival and is certainly not so clever. He is a tough customer, however, and Welsh will need all his cleverness to "stall him off." Another important item on the tapis, is a projected match between Charley Wilson and Jewey Smith, two heavy weights of some note, who ought to put up a good contest.

CRICKET.

The amateurs selected to accompany the M. C. C. team to South Africa are hardly up to Test form, but fortunately the pros—Hobbs, Rhodes, Denton, Woolley, Thompson, Buckenham, Strudwick and Blythe, are real "top notchers" and with the assistance of F. L. Fane, Captain Wynward, Simpson-Hayward and M. C. Bird, ought to do fairly well. H. D. G. Leveson-Gower is the other member of the team, and as—captain, will probably play often, to the exclusion of better players. Whether he was equally to blame with the other members of the Selection Committee for the absurd choices and bad judgment in regard to the recent Test matches, cannot be said, but it is to be hoped his association with the "Selection Failures" has not spoilt his judgment altogether. The performances of Woolley and Bird will be closely watched, as they are two players, whom many critics think may be among candidates for Test honours in 1912.

KENT WIN CHAMPIONSHIP.

For the second time since the official institution of the County Championship, the honour has gone to Kent, and none can say it is undeserved. Kent's previous success was in 1906, while second in 1908, and third honour in 1904, show how prominent the County has been in recent years. Notts holds the record for the highest total of wins (11) with Surrey (9) and Yorkshire (8) coming next, the "Tykes" record being very fine, when one remembers that the initial success was in 1893.

AUSTRALIANS JUST WIN.

The Australians had a narrow escape against Sussex at Brighton, and had the home men not thrown away chances, they would have shared with Surrey the honour of being one of the county teams to beat the Australians. Left to get 119 to win, the visitors lost a wickets for 48, but the total was then carried to 84 before another fell. After this came trouble, and when Whittey, the last man, joined Hopkins, 19 runs were still required. They took twenty minutes to make 11 runs and then scored as many in one over, a missed chance by Relf depriving Sussex of victory just before the end.

RANSFORD'S BIG SCORE.

To give a life to Ransford or Bardsley, is fatal, and the former profited by a "let off" in the M.C.C. vs. Australia match at Lords, by making 190. This is his highest score of the tour, and raised his average to 48·65 and sent him ahead of Armstrong and Bardsley, who failed in the first innings, H. R. Foster played a nice innings of 84 for the club, and helped pull his side round after a poor commencement, so that a draw resulted.

RHODES TO THE FORE.

Rhodes, of Yorkshire, easily stands ahead of all other players, who claim to be all-rounders. Within the last few days he accomplished the following: Took 6 wickets for 29 runs against Essex and played innings of 199 and 84 against Sussex. He is now well on the road to his 2,000 runs, while his average is over 40 and his wickets number 128 at a cost of slightly over 16 runs each.

FOOTBALL.

The trouble in the football world came to a sudden end on Tuesday night when the Football Association gave way all along the line. Having refused to re-instate the suspended players, and allow arrears of wages to be paid, the Association also refused to submit the questions in dispute to arbitration. What brings most discredit on the F. A. officials, however, was the proposal to the players (who are not members of the Players' Union) to assist them to form a Union. This of course, was with a view of killing the Players' Union which has so badly worsted the F. A. Colin Veitch of Newcastle, speaking on behalf of the players—non members of the Players' Union—soon made it plain that the rank and file of professionals were in favour of the Players' Union being continued, and that the suspended players should be re-instated and their arrears of wages paid. Once the F. A. realised that the majority of the professionals were against the governing body, the officials promptly gave way by re-instating the suspended players, so that they might take part in the opening matches the following day. The matters in dispute will now be further discussed, but having recognised the Players' Union and re-instated the suspended men, there ought to be no further bother, because actually the F. A. favours the doing away with the wage limit, and an alteration in the transfer system.

THE SEASON OPENS.

Everyone was pleased that the season opened on Wednesday without any postponements or trouble. The Manchester United men (who led the revolt) proved successful (1—0) over Bradford, and had a great reception. The future of the matches was the hollow victory (5 goals to 0) of Aston Villa on entertaining Woolwich Arsenal. All three of the London clubs did badly, for Tonttenham Hotspur lost (3—1) at Sunderland on making a first appearance in the premier League, while Chelsea (at home) could only draw against Notts County.

Several surprises were seen in Scotland on Saturday, Celtic going down (1—0) on visiting Hibernians, while Clyde (at home) were defeated (1—0) by Port Glasgow. Besides this, Dundee lost on visiting Greenock Morton, again the score being (1—0,) so that the prominent teams have started badly.

THE TURF.

The Derby meeting this week will be remembered for a splendid performance by Sunshine in the Devonshire Nursery Plate (the first of the season). This son of Sandridge beat his 19 rivals in great style, and ought to gain high honours for Mr. H. H. Collins. The Whirlpool accounted for the Breeders' St Leger of 1,350 Sovs, his jockey—F. Wootten (who rode six winners last week) showing excellent judgment. Higgs was also in great form and he rode four winners on the opening day.

A CONGRESS of dwarfs will shortly be opened at Olympia, London. One hundred and forty dwarfs will attend, and a miniature village is being built for them with lilliputian fire-engines, stables, shops, and a church and theatre.

THE FIGHT FOR THE BUDGET.

LIBERALS MORE HOPEFUL.

Concession in Income Tax.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 20.

In the House of Commons this evening, Mr. Lloyd-George announced that in response to the deputation headed by Lord Onslow, he had decided to make a concession to agricultural landlords entitling them, on making a declaration with data, to a deduction up to twenty-five per cent. under the schedule in respect to repairs and management. The concession would cost half a million sterling in 1909-1910, and Mr. Lloyd-George said he feared it must come out of the Sinking Fund.

Mr. Balfour thought the concession was inadequate.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 21.

The Liberals are more hopeful of the Budget passing the Lords, as the result of Mr. Lloyd-George's concession.

There is the keenest anticipation with regard to Mr. Balfour's speech at Birmingham to-morrow.

The Conservative papers declare that he will not presume to dictate to the Lords, but will make a strong pronouncement in favour of Tariff Reform.

The resolution, to be passed at the meeting, proclaims unswerving loyalty to Mr. Balfour and declares determined adherence to Tariff Reform, which is necessary to increase employment at home and strengthen the Empire.

The resolution condemns the Budget as unjust to individuals and injurious to trade and industry.

LORD ROSEBERY AND THE LIBERAL LEAGUE.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 20.

At the meeting of the Executive of the Liberal League to-day, Lord Rosebery, who was cordially received, explained his position in reference to his resignation. The meeting passed a unanimous resolution, recording its deep gratitude for Lord Rosebery's services and its high appreciation of the unselfish reasons dictating his resignation.

THE FATE OF S. S. "WARATAH"

Fire Report Disbelieved.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 20.

Lloyd's and the owners of the "Waratah" are doubtful with regard to the report made by the steamer "Harlow," as the cargo was non-inflammable being largely made up of frozen meat and flour. It is pointed out that the "Clan Macintyre" must have seen the "Waratah" if she had been on fire, besides which the "Harlow," which arrived at Durban on the 28th July, would have reported the fire.

THE MISSING BATTLESHIP.

Last Seen Taking Shelter.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 20.

The Admiralty announces that the "Clio" was last seen on the 13th instant, 160 miles South of Shanghai. The search is proceeding actively.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 21.

Renter wires from Shanghai that the "Clio" was seen taking shelter in the Haitan Straits on the 14th instant.

THE LUARD MURDER.

Suspected Man Discharged.

LONDON, SEPETEMBER 20.

The man, arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the Luard murder has been discharged, there being no evidence against him.

THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Bill Receives Royal Assent.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 20.

The Royal Assent has been given in the House of Lords to the South African Union Bill.

AUSTRIA AND GERMANY.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 20.

The Emperor Francis Joseph has received Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg in private audience.

THE RIFF CAMPAIGN.

Succesful Spanish Advance.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 21.

The Spaniards began the advance from Mellila yesterday, supported by warships. The enemy was repulsed with severe losses. The Spanish casualties were slight. An advanced position was occupied.

Mulay Hafid, in a note to the Powers, asks for intervention against Spain.

THE BRESCIA AVIATION MEETING.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 21.

At the Brescia aviation meeting yesterday, Rougier reached a height of 645 feet on an aeroplane, constituting a record.

LORD KITCHENER'S FAREWELL SPEECH.

A Coincidence Pointed Out.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 21.

The *Times* prints a letter signed "Hemor" pointing out by parallel quotations the astonishing resemblances between Lord Curzon's farewell speech at the Byculla Club on 16th November 1905 and Lord Kitchener's farewell speech at Simla. The letter concludes, "Either this is a remarkable illustration of imitation, being sincerest form of flattery, or of long arm of coincidence which was never longer."

ORIENTAL TRADE OF CANADA.

Faster Steamers Wanted.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 21.

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, speaking at Vancouver, said that the Canadian Pacific must have larger and faster vessels for the Pacific in view of the growth of Oriental trade.

BRITISH ARMY MANŒUVRES.

Rapid Infantry Marches.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 21.

Army manœuvres opened at dawn yesterday. The line of the Thames formed the boundary between the two countries and the opposing armies came into contact at several points along the frontier. A dash was made for the bridges.

The feature of the operations was the remarkable marching on the part of the Infantry, some covering thirty miles in full service order, yesterday, by forced marches in the early morning at five miles an hour for three or four hours. This performance excited the attention of foreign attaches accompanying the Duke of Connaught.

STORM AND HURRICANE IN AMERICA.

Much Damage.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 21.

A hurricane has occurred at New Orleans, and the damage exceeds 100,000 dollars.

The storm was also general on the Gulf Coast from the Mississippi to Florida. The streets fronting on the water at Mobile are flooded and the shipping is endangered.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 21.

The death is announced of Governor Johnson of Minnesota who was a candidate for the Presidency at the last election.

THE AUSTRALIAN CRICKETERS.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 21.

The match between Mr. Cochrane's eleven and the Australians at Bray in Wicklow, was drawn.

FRONTIER AFFAIRS.

Headmen Summoned to Kabul.

POSSIBLE INTER-TRIBAL FIGHTING.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, SEPTEMBER 21.

The Amir is said to have summoned the headmen of Khost, and the adjacent tracts, to Kabul with a view to establishing a more settled state of things on that part of the Frontier.

Last week news reached Thall, at the entrance to the Kurram Valley, of an intended raid by outlaws. Due precautions were taken, and the band reported to be in the vicinity returned to the hils.

A Peshawar correspondent states that renewed tension exists between the Gar and Samil factions in Tirah. It is feared that the dispute may lead to fresh inter-tribal fighting in which most of the Afridi and Orakzai clans may be involved.

ALLEGED STABBING BY STUDENTS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

DACCA, SEPTEMBER 21.

In the Court of Mr. G. C. Bonarji, Additional District Magistrate, Dacca, to-day, the trial was resumed of the case where seven students and a drill-master of the Narainganj School are alleged to have stabbed one Wahed Ali on the night of the last Jhulan festival.

After the prosecution had been heard the Court discharged the accused Kalachand Ghosh, Bani Kanta Bonarji and Aswini Kumar Ghosh, and framed charges under sections 147 and 326 I. P. C. against Jogendra Mohandas Jamini, Mohandas Hemendra Nath Datta and Aditya Chunder Dutta (students); also against Kamini Kumar Bhattacharyyi (drill master). Bail of two hundred rupees each was allowed to Jogendra and Jamini and the hearing of defence arguments was adjourned to 30th instant.

BHOJESHAIR DACOITY CASE.

To be Tried by Special Tribunal.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

FARIDPORE, SEPTEMBER 21.

Mr. Donald, Magistrate, to-day, rejected the bail application of Sarat Chatterjee and Birendra Chatterjee who were arrested for contemplated Bhojeshair Dacoity, and intimated that this case will be tried under the New Crimes Act by a Special Bench of the High Court.

PUNJAB TRIPLE CANAL SCHEME.

Largely Increased Estimate.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, SEPTEMBER 21.

It is believed that a forecast of the revised estimate of triple canal project for the Punjab shows a very large excess, about two hundred lakhs over the original. Of this, largest item of excess is in connection with the cross drainages of the Upper Jhelum canal. At the time the project was framed the Engineers did not possess sufficient statistics regarding the volume of water conveyed by several large torrents, which cross the alignment of this canal, but observations made during its construction have shown that the maximum discharges of these streams were underestimated in the first instance. Although the cost of this large and daring irrigation project will be considerably enhanced, the work, if the anticipated receipts remain the same, will still be highly productive and contribute largely to the prosperity of the province.

The visit, which, it is said, the Lieutenant-Governor intends to pay to the Salt Range on his way from Simla to Lahore next October, is believed to be partly in connection with this project. It is understood that Sir Louis Dane has under consideration the possibility of utilising some of the drainage waters of the Salt Range to supplement the cold weather supply of the Jhelum. The Jhelum is, on account of its large catchment area, one of the best rivers of the Punjab, particularly as regards its rabi supply, but in any of the rivers, the winter discharge is liable at times to be short of the demand, and no doubt any additional supply which could be obtained by the storage of drainage water would be beneficial as a reserve in periods of deficient rainfall. If the monsoon discharges of one or most of the torrents, whose waters are now practically run to waste, could be conserved for use in times of scarcity, the future prospects of the canals in the north-west part of the province should be in every way favourable.

THE LATE MR. RADICE.

Lucknow Board's Sympathy.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, SEPTEMBER 21.

At a Special Meeting of the Municipal Board of Lucknow to-day, it was unanimously resolved that the Board on behalf of the citizens of Lucknow place on record its deep sense of loss sustained by the whole community through the untimely death of the late Mr. Radice, in whom the citizens of Lucknow have lost an energetic officer and sympathetic friend, and who during his short connection with the Board had earned the esteem and affection of people. The Board also desires to express its heartfelt sympathy with Mrs. Radice in her bereavement.

Babu Ganga Pershad, in introducing the motion, referred to the late Mr. Radice's connection with Lucknow, as City Magistrate and as Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner, and touched upon the sterling qualities of the deceased, saying that he was a man who would be missed both in the homes of the rich and the poor.

It was further resolved that copies of the resolution be forwarded to the Lieutenant-Governor and to Mrs. Radice and that a telegram be sent to Mrs. Radice expressing the Board's sympathy with her in her sad loss.

Mr. Hope, Deputy Commissioner of Unao, will officiate as Commissioner vice the late Mr. Radice.

INFANT MORTALITY.

Lady Doctor Working in Cawnpore.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, SEPTEMBER 21.

The Government has appointed a Lady Doctor to inquire into the causes of infant mortality, and she is at present working in the city of Cawnpore. Two trained "dhais" have also been employed to assist her in the treatment of sick children, and to attend under her instructions to women of the poorer classes in their confinements. The measure is an experiment and any future action will depend on the result of it.

The Lieutenant-Governor does not consider it necessary to institute any special arrangements for the training of "dhais," as the Dufferin Fund have five centres for the training of women of this class. Should the demand for them presently exceed the supply, it can be considered whether the Dufferin Fund should be helped with further grants from the provincial funds to enable it to open classes at other centres.

ARMENIAN IMPOSTERS.

Begging Alms for Destitute Christians.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, SEPTEMBER 21.

Warning has been issued by the Criminal Investigation Department against extending help to begging imposters from Armenia, who have of recent years found a profitable field for exploitation in India. They enlist sympathy by professing to be Armenian priests, deputed to obtain money for rebuilding churches or schools, or for the aid of Christians rendered destitute by Turkish persecutions. Their victims are usually among the European population.

THE JUTE CROP.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, SEPTEMBER 21.

Excluding Nepal, Upper India, and Madras, the final forecast of the jute crop published to-day estimates a yield of 72,06,584 bales or 88 per cent. of a normal crop in Bengal, and Eastern Bengal and Assam combined, or about eight lakhs more than in the preliminary forecast.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPTEMBER 20.

Lieutenant P. G. Huddleston and K. Mason of the Royal Engineers, have been appointed to the Survey of India.

Colonel Daly, A.A.-G., Central India, returns to India in the third week in October to resume his appointment.

Colonel F. B. Maclean, I. M. S., officiates as Principal Medical Officer (Lucknow) Division, from the 9th instant vice Surgeon-General Ellis, on leave.

Colonel L. E. Anderson, I. M. S. has reverted to his permanent appointment as Principal Medical Officer, Allahabad and Fyzabad Brigades.

DEVELOPMENT O BOMBAY.

Improvement Trust's Views.

Mr. J. P. Orr, I. C. S., Chairman of the Bombay Improvement Trust, presided at the meeting of the Trustees held yesterday in the Trust Office.

Consideration was given to the Government resolution regarding the development of Bombay and the improvement of communications in the City.

On the last occasion when this question came up for consideration, the Chairman submitted the following draft resolution to be forwarded to Government.

1. This Board accept the views expressed in Government Resolution No. 3022, dated 14th June 1909 (General Department), as to the order of importance of the several schemes therein referred to for the development of Bombay City and the improvement of communications in the Island.

2. In regard to the proposed reclamation in Back Bay, the Board are ready to meet Government in any negotiations they may open for the transfer of the Trust's reclamation rights to Government.

3. As regards Street Schemes, the Chairman should be requested—(a) to submit Schemes for the widening of Abdul Rahiman Street or any alternative route behind Crawford Market and Pare) road as soon as possible; (b) to submit amended proposals for widening Chunam Kiln Street so as to provide for the new road to be 80 feet wide instead of 60 feet as originally proposed; (c) to submit proposals for widening the route of the proposed western avenue from Girgaum Back Road to Sandhurst Road to 80 feet.

4. (1) The Chairman should be requested to prepare a programme, with estimates, for Chawl construction, showing separately (a) the work to be carried out by the Trust, and (b) the work to be done in co-operation with the millowners. (2) With regard to the former, the classes that the Trust should provide chawls for should be defined as the poorer and working classes displaced in the execution of the Trust's Schemes. Their number may be roughly computed from the number of one room tenements demolished by the Trust. (3) The Chairman should ascertain this number scheme by scheme and show how much further accommodation the Board should now supply in each scheme and where. (4) In future schemes similar information should be taken out before the scheme is submitted for sanction and the scheme should provide for the necessary accommodation being supplied before demolition commences.

5. As regards chawls to be erected in co-operation with employers of labour, the Chairman should be requested in anticipation of the requisite amendment of the Bombay Improvement Act, to open negotiations with the Millowners' Association with a view to determining what chawls should be erected next year in pursuance of the Scheme approved by Trustees' Resolution No. 274, dated 6th October 1903. Meanwhile the urgent necessity of amendment of the Act, as a necessary preliminary to this Chawl Erection Scheme should be represented to Government.

6. In view of the fact that East Agripada includes four of the most insanitary areas in the City, the condition of which tends to get rapidly worse the longer they are left alone the Board consider a scheme dealing with this locality a matter of urgent necessity. The Chairman should revise the present scheme with a view to reducing its scope and cost.

7. With regard to Government's offer of financial assistance, the Chairman should be requested to collect information as to the demand made upon the Board's resources by Schemes already sanctioned and the East Agripada Scheme as revised, and any additional chawls that may be found necessary and the amount of the annual grant they will require from Government in order to be able to complete the Abdul Rahiman Street Scheme within the next 3 years. The consideration of the other scheme referred to in para. 18 of the Government Resolution should be postponed until the more urgent schemes are approaching completion.

On that occasion Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtulla had submitted a draft letter to be forwarded to Government as a covering letter with the resolution.

Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtulla said that he wished to draw the attention of the Government to three principal points: Firstly, Government's definite promise for generous financial treatment of the Board; secondly, that the Government should be asked as to what their contribution to the cost of completing the various schemes would be; and thirdly, that the Board could not undertake any of the schemes of communication suggested by Government in their resolution until the financial basis was settled.

After some discussion the Board decided to consider the clauses one by one, but as Mr. Wacha had given notice to move an amendment which affected the whole resolution, it was taken first.

Mr. D. E. Wacha moved an amendment "That having regard to the want of unanimity of opinion among the various public bodies invited sometime ago to state their views on the subject of the expansion of the City and increased facilities of communication, the Board are of opinion that it is highly essential in the interest of the population at large, which is certain to be extensively affected, economically and otherwise, by the several proposals adumbrated in the resolution of Government, that the Government should be moved to appoint a committee of independent representative citizens to examine the said proposals, call witnesses, if necessary, and make a full and final report thereon.

On a division the amendment was lost.

The consideration of the first and the second clauses was deferred until the next meeting, the rest of the clauses being agreed to. The latter portion of the seventh clause was also altered as suggested by Mr. Hatch.

AMATEUR DRAMATICS IN BOMBAY.

"Mrs. Gorringe's Necklace."

THE Amateur Dramatic Company, who have been playing "Mrs. Gorringe's Necklace," in aid of the funds of the Girls Friendly Society and the Sanatorium for Children, gave another admirable performance of that piece at the Gaiety Theatre last evening. They again had a large audience, and their performance, after a first appearance in public, was, as perhaps should have been expected, even a better one than on the first occasion. The players, showed a better understanding of their own and each other's parts, and the whole piece moved with an easiness and intelligibility, which would not have discredited many a professional company. A great deal of the credit for such a successful result, must be given to Mrs. Barlow, who, although taking as producer a modest part so far as the eye of the audience can see, has devoted much, both of her time and ability, to the production, and probably it is owing mainly to her untiring work at rehearsals that the Company was able to attain such a degree of success.

To speak once more of individual performances, Mr. Malcolm Hogg, distinguished himself where amateurs so often fail, in playing quite naturally, an emotional role like that of David Cairne. Mr. Keith Roach gave an excellent character sketch of that peppery and futile person, Colonel Jardine, and Mrs. Piers Dimmock was also distinctly good as his snobbish but much tried and pardonably disagreeable wife. Mrs. Ashton Street very cleverly pourtrayed the absurd trivialities and annoying irrelevancies in which Mrs. Gorringe so continually indulged, while we must once more congratulate Mrs. Vines for her charming and sympathetic playing of Isabel, Commander Vines for his sturdy Captain Mowbray, Mr. Bolus for his Jernigan and the rest of the excellent company. At the close of the performance handsome bouquets were presented to all the lady members of the cast.

The entr'acte music was effectively played by the G. I. P. Volunteers Band, who under the direction of Mr. Mallandaine gave their services gratuitously.

BAIRA RIOT CASE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

MANIKGANJ, SEPTEMBER 21.

The supplementary trial commenced to-day before the Sub-Divisional Magistrate of the Baira Riot case in which Mr. DeMonto is the complainant

At the Bombay High Court the Hon. Mr. Justice Macleod has made an order for the winding-up of the Western India Motor Company, on the application of Suleman Husein Sodagar, a creditor, who petitioned for a winding-up order on the ground that the Company was unable to meet its liabilities.

ZOROASTRIANISM.

Some of its Essential Traits.

A public lecture was delivered under the auspices of the Gatha Society, by Prof. P. A. Wadia, M.A., at the Framji Cawasji Institute, on "Some essential traits of Zoroastrianism," the Hon. Mr. Justice N. G. Chandavarkar presiding.

The President, in opening the proceedings, said that he felt greatly honoured by being called upon to preside at that lecture. He belonged to a church that took its inspiration from the teachings as much of Zoroaster, Christ, and Moses, as of Manu and Buddha. He, therefore, took a deep interest in the study of all religious questions and had the greatest sympathy for all movements that helped on that study.

The lecturer said at the opening that he wished to deal that evening with certain questions relating to the Zoroastrian religion, which were of a highly controversial character. He, therefore, would restrict himself to making a few suggestions on those questions in the course of his remarks. The first question would naturally be as to wherein the essential traits of Zoroastrianism were to be sought. He would say that for that purpose recourse must be had to the Gathas and the Gathas alone. For, as in the case of other religions, so in the case of the religion of Persia, several foreign elements had gradually become engrafted on the original teachings of Zoroaster, which elements were often not in consonance with the teachings of the Prophet. Even the religion of the Achaemenians could not be said to be purely Zoroastrian, for there were clear traces in the historical records, that they accepted several elements from other religions, side by side with a belief in the existence of one Supreme God, Mazda. The writings that come after the Gathas, said the lecturer, ought to be taken into account only as far as they assist the understanding of, and are in entire accordance with, the doctrines contained in the Gathas. A great diversity of opinion continually exists regarding the ritual and ceremonial observances, but these are not the essential ingredients of the religion. They change with time and circumstances, but the dogmas contained in the Gathas remained unchanged on account of the profundity of the teachings. Every religion ought to contain truth that must appeal to the human reason. But it would be too much to expect that anything and everything should be capable of being comprehended by the ordinary intelligence. The religion of Zoroaster, while it appealed to human reason in various respects, also demanded the acceptance of some teachings on faith. The most important of such teachings was the belief in the existence of a Supreme God-head. It did not make of God a mere logical abstraction but it inculcated the belief in a living, breathing personal entity. The next important aspect of Zoroaster's teachings was an ethical dualism which answers most satisfactorily the demands of reason.

PERSONALITY OF THE PROPHET.

As regards the personality of the prophet, the lecturer maintained that there were the clearest evidences that he was but a mortal, a humble citizen, who took upon himself the role of a teacher after prolonged and careful meditation on religious matters. There was also very clear evidence to show that his teachings did not consist of a special divine Revelation in the narrow sense of that term. The lecturer then imposed on the audience the necessity of adhering most closely to the original teachings of the prophet, for while ceremonials and rituals were adopted and discarded at times, those principles remained firm as the corner-stones of the religion. In order to carry out the most important injunction of the prophet to go on progressively by endeavours to bring about the entire annihilation of the forces of evil and the final triumph of righteousness—in order to bring about such a perfection, which was known by the name of Frashakereti—it was necessary to promulgate the prophet's teachings as far and wide as possible, leaving an open door for all and sundry, who desired admittance into its fold. The idea of retaining a racial purity of blood never existed in the past. It was not sought by the Achaemenians or the Easnanides; it was not sought by the band of fugitives who took shelter in India for the preservation, not of their race but of their religion. Not more than a few fortunate families could trace their descent for more than ten or twelve generations; purity of blood and unity of race could not be said to have been retained by the community that had admittedly gone on treating children of alien mothers as members of their fold. The bond of unity of religion was the bond which had kept them united in the past that was the strongest bond that could hold any community together in mutual peace and good will, and if the Parsees wished to preserve their religion, it was imperative upon them to keep an open door for all outside comers.

The Chairman in proposing a vote of thanks to the lecturer said, that although he admired the lecturer's lucid treatment of his subject, he would not venture to pronounce an opinion on the controversial topics dealt with by him. It was a matter of necessity for people to study their religion and to have correct notions regarding religion. There it was a tendency now a days as it were to patronize religion. In the busy walk of life, when men are flushed with work, they forget in the midst of their pursuits all idea of religion. It was said that the Parsees were gradually dwindling to materialism, but he (the speaker) would say that the remark would apply to all communities in India, and with equal force perhaps also to the communities of Europe.

On the motion of Mr. J. B. Petit a cordial vote of thanks was accorded to the Chairman, and the meeting was dissolved.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Posting of Assistant Engineers.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPTEMBER 21.

The list of candidates appointed by the Secretary of State to the Indian Public Works Department, as Assistant Engineers in 1910 is as follows:—

Bell, H. J., Central Provinces; Bingham, the Hon'ble H. T., Staff Railways; Butler, S.G., Eastern Bengal and Assam; Fitzherber, R.A., Bombay; Gordon, A. Bombay; Green, C.W.T., State Railways; Harris, B.G., United Provinces Buildings and Roads; Harvey, T., Madras; Hatt-Cook, R.S., State Railways; Hickey, P.F.B., United Provinces Irrigation; Jefferies, C.E., Punjab Irrigation; Lyle, T.M., United Provinces Irrigation; Mackinnon, J., State Railways; Marshall, A.E. Bengal; Mitchell, K.G., Punjab Buildings and Roads; Newhouse, C.G., State Railway; Olliff Lee, United Province Buildings and Roads; Saunders, C.S., Bengal; Smith, R.H., Madras; Taylor, H.M.O., Bombay; Watson, E.I., Bombay; Westerdale, J.S., Madras; Harrison, A.S., Eastern Bengal and Assam; Foster, J.F.G., State Railways; Francis, H.G., Eastern Bengal and Assam; Dogra Hansraj, Sanjana Kaikobad Soarji and Timms A. B., are not yet posted.

THEOSOPHICAL EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE.

To be Held at Benares.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BENARES, SEPTEMBER 21.

The first session of an annual Educational Conference in connection with the Convention of the Indian section of the Theosophical Society will be held at Benares in Christmas week, Mrs. Besant presiding.

SIR LAWRENCE JENKINS.

Still Unwell.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, SEPTEMBER 21.

Sir Lawrence Jenkins was again too unwell to attend court to-day.

BOMBAY AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

Annual Report.

The report of Mr. Keatinge, I.C.S., on the Bombay Agricultural Department for 1908-9 contains the following:—

From an administrative point of view the main features of the year have been (a) the acquisition of Mr. Burns to fill the vacant post of Economic Botanist; (b) the appointment of the Divisional Inspectors of Agriculture who have all got to work on their important duties; (c) the opening of two new stations at Gokak and Sukkur, two sub-stations at Gadag and Navsari, and ten sub-stations in Sind; (d) the graduation in Agriculture of 28 new students of whom 10 have been employed in the Agricultural Department.

Of our Agricultural students at Cambridge, Messrs Mehta, Ajrekar and Gonehalli are expected back very shortly. Mr. Jhavery who went through a year's training in Entomology at Pusa has returned and got to work; and Mr. Kulkarni, who is doing an 18 months' course in Mycology there, will return in a few months.

All the points noted above afford cause for satisfaction; and now that we are settling down into something like shape it may be of interest to give some figures of the staff and finances of the Department.

For rough purposes the staff may be divided as follows:—Grade I—Consisting of Director, two Deputy Directors, Principal, Agricultural College, Professor of Agricultural and Economic Botanist—7; Grade II—Consisting of four Assistant Professors and three Divisional Inspectors 7; Grade III—Thirty-six men including the Superintendents and Assistant Superintendents of Farms, upper staff of Special Branches and Inspector of Experiments in Sind 36; Grade IV—Thirty-nine non-graduate fieldmen 39.

The Agricultural College is now taking definite shape both in stone and in staff. We have ten Agricultural Stations, a number of Sub-Stations and two Botanical Gardens. Special Chemical, Botanical, Entomological, Veterinary, Mechanical, Cotton and Wheat branches now exist, and a Mycological branch will shortly be added.

As regards finances our current budget stands as follows:—Capital expenditure.—Agricultural College, Buildings Rs. 1,75,000, other buildings Rs.16,000, total Rs. 1,91,000; recurring expenditure, salary Rs. 2,14,800, travelling allowance Rs. 38,100, petty construction Rs. 9,100, cultivation charges Rs. 68,500; miscellaneous expenditure Rs. 78,950; contingent charges Rs. 71,400; hydraulic and agricultural experiments 12,250; cotton seed distribution Rs. 5,000; destruction of insect pests Rs. 1,000; demonstration and agricultural shows Rs. 6,400; publication of agricultural matter Rs. 1,000; purchase of mechanical apparatus Rs. 12,500; total Rs. 5,19,000.

The heavy capital expenditure on the Agricultural College buildings will not be completed for another three years, and meantime the expansion of the Department will be limited by our means. I have already submitted to Government proposals for the grading of the staff and an estimate of our probable development during the next four years.

THE YEAR'S WORK ON THE FARMS.

The scope of the Departmental work has so greatly increased that nowadays it is impossible to review, however briefly, all the points of interest. A perusal of the seven appendices attached to this report will give a good general idea of the work accomplished at the College, on the Farms and in the Laboratories. For further details the Farm Reports must be consulted.

It will be seen that in the case of cotton, wheat, jowari, bajri, tur and other pulses, groundnuts, castor, til, etc., a great number of varietal tests have been made both of indigenous and of exotic crops, that selection both for quantity and for quality is being pushed forward, and that cultural and manurial experiments of considerable variety and interest have been conducted.

To summarise a few points briefly, it will be noted that the best cotton hybrids continue to give a lint valued considerably in excess of the local variety and in some notable instances have obtained a higher relative value than ever before. In connection with this work it is interesting to note that we have now reached the stage of distributing seed of our best hybrid cottons. 1,500 lbs. of hybrid seed was distributed near Surat, and the growers obtained Rs. 108 per "bhar" for their cotton as against Rs. 101 for ordinary cotton. This result was obtained without any special sale arrangements being made by the Department.

In the Dharwar District the cultivation of Broach cotton was for the first time undertaken on a commercial scale and was once more successful. At the auction 307 "nagas" (1 Naga =1,344 lbs.) were sold. Prices ranged from Rs. 150 to Rs. 174 per naga, as against Rs. 116 for Kumpta. The cultivation of Broach cotton is this year being extended in fresh parts of the Dharwar and Belgaum districts, and the cultivators are taking it up keenly. Mr M. L. Kulkarni has written an excellent bulletin on the subject showing that, at a very moderate estimate, a net advantage of Rs. 10 per acre can be obtained in suitable tracts in the Southern Maratha Country by growing Broach instead of Kumpta cotton. It is hoped that next season the Dharwar Agricultural Association will undertake the auction sale of the cotton and relieve the Department of this work.

The closure of the Jamrao Canal at sowing time made the crop of Egyptian cotton in Sind very late, and was prejudicial to its growth. The crop suffered severely later on from the very exceptional rains which occurred, and was deficient both in quantity and quality. Four thousand maunds of seed cotton were sent to Mirpurkhas for disposal; but owing to its inferior quality and the amount of leaves and dirt that was mixed with it much difficulty was experienced in selling it. Professor S. Shahani and Sir Vithaldas Thackersey were most helpful in their offers to assist in the disposal of this cotton which was eventually taken by Messrs. Ebrahim Currimbhai and Company at the rate of Rs. 9 per maund for Abassi and Rs. 8-6-0 for Metaffii. During the present season no Egyptian cotton has been sown as there was no water in the Jamrao at the sowing season.

Foreign groundnuts continue to gain in popularity in many tracts and are being widely distributed: while the advantage of sowing Spanish variety as a subordinate crop with cotton and jowari was quickly appreciated by the people round Surat. The advantages of seed selection are well brought out by the fact that in the case of jowari and maize selected farm seed gave an advantage of 200lbs. per acre over bazar seed at Surat and Dohad respectively. With cotton too the advantages of selected seed were well demonstrated. Amongst the varietal tests the Gudhagi jowari at Dhulia, owing to its habit of early maturing, gave double the outturn of the local variety in a year when the late rains were in defect; while the trial of Parner wheat at Dohad was very promising.

Many references will be found to the relative merits of deep and shallow ploughing as demonstrated during the past season; and it may be as well to point out that several different questions are involved here. We have for some years past been advocating the use of iron turn-over ploughs; and people are apt to ask in a general way "Are you certain that deep ploughing will pay?" Hitherto all that we have been prepared to say is this "Where you must plough deep in order to eradicate deep-rooted weeds, or where you habitually to plough deep, as in the case of sugarcane and other garden cultivation, or in tracts of deep retentive soil and assured rainfall, it will certainly pay you to use an iron plough rather than the heavy wooden plough; since the former will do the work better and faster." We are now trying to determine the advantages of deep ploughing for varying conditions of ordinary dry cultivation, and it must be admitted that the indications are not hitherto very clear. Deep ploughing for jowari, but not for cotton, has paid at Surat; while at Dhulia the reverse was the case. Both these experiments refer to kharif crops. The results obtained by deep and thorough cultivation on rabi crops of gram at Dohad and jawari at Rahuri are however very remarkable. At the latter place the effect on jowari or deep ploughing was extremely uniform throughout the series of plots, and averaged at an advantage of 165 lbs. per acre. This is a remarkable result in a year when, as so often happens, the October rains were in defect. We cannot yet say definitely that deep ploughing would have equally good results in all reasons; and it is possible that it will be found advantageous to supplement this operation by some form of rolling or "sub-soil packing"; but the indications all point to the large net advantage which a rabi crop receives from deep and thorough cultivation. And if this is the case in our own farms which are mostly free from deep-rooted weeds how much more is it likely to be the case when we come to the foul fields which are so characteristic of the East Deccan? There is no sight more deplorable than to see a man drilling seed into a field choked up with "harali," "kunda" and "lavala," knowing that he cannot possibly expect a good crop and will probably obtain little or none. Such are the incidents of farming without capital. Apart from the question deep ploughing there are other points of interest in the Rahuri experiments, to wit, the advantages of wide drilling and a small seed rate, and the utilisation of "nala" water. This latter experiment consists in the adaptation to a nala, which runs only for a short time during and after rain, of the principle of "pataathal" so commonly employed in the West Deccan in the case of streams which run for a month or two after the close of the rains. These experiments will be repeated and extended during the present season and offer considerable promise.

As regards manuring it would appear that at present prices "artificials" cannot touch farmyard manure for dry-crop farming. It is however very difficult to plan expriments with such manures which will admit of accurate comparisons being made. In other countries a farmer will often restrict his use of artificials to the demand which his crops may appear to make at some period of their growth. Thus a nitrogenous top-dressing may be used to force on a crop which is backward or faring badly for some reason. It requires a good deal of skill and experience to use them economically; and it is improbable that the Indian cultivator will have much use for them for dry crops for some time to come. It will be seen that nitre gave satisfactory results with rice and Ammonium Sulphate continues to give good results with sugarcane. We are now definitely recommending its use for sugarcane; and a good deal was distributed to cultivators during the past year. The cost per unit of nitrogen which Dr. Mann deduces from the current prices of the concentrated manures ordinarily used for sugarcane (vide Appendix F, page 52 "post") shows that Ammonium Sulphate is a cheap fertilizer. Once more the remarkable residual result of the night-soil application at Surat is in evidence ("vide" Appendix A, page 28 "post") bearing testimony to the truth of Sir F. Nicholson's dictum as to the enormous losses which India incurs through neglect to make use of this material.

DEMONSTRATIONS, SHOWS AND DISTRICT WORK.

During the past year an effort has been made to extend this branch of the work. It is constantly said with truth "What is the use of the work on the farms unless you can induce cultivators to adopt the methods which you find to be profitable?" It is of course impossible to hand out precise information which is of universal application to all soils in a country where the rainfall differs so greatly from one locality to another and from one season to another. Farming is not, in any case, a matter which admits of such precision. We have, however, done our best to set our ideas in order, so that we can advise generally for such conditions as garden lands in the West Deccan, black soil in the East Deccan, sandy soil in Upper Gujarat, heavy soil in lower Gujarat; and the cultivator must be content with the indications that we can offer him and adapt our methods to the circumstances of his own field and the limitations of his working capital. Demonstrations, Shows and District work all have their uses in this connection. The demonstrations are held on the Government Farms at a time when the crops are in an instructive state. A day is fixed, and the cultivators from the surrounding tract are invited; and special arrangements are made to bring in from a distance substantial cultivators who are likely to profit from what they see. Demonstrations were held on the Surat, Dhulia, Dohad, Manjri and College farms, and were attended by a number of gentry and cultivators. In particular I would mention the demonstration at Surat which was attended by 470 persons, at Dhulia which was attended by 150 persons, and at Manjri which was attended by 5 Mamledars and 50 substantial sugarcane cultivators from the Satara District. Considerable interest was taken at these Demonstrations in such matters as the results of clean and thorough cultivation, manuring, spacing, rotations and implements. Various new crops were shown, and the advantages of selected seed demonstrated. It is difficult to gauge the results of such demonstrations; but I believe them to be considerable. Demands for selected seed and concentrated manures are largely increasing and at the Surat Demonstration, orders were booked for 0 maunds of groundnut seed, seven chain pumps and three turn-wrest ploughs; while as a result of the Dhulia Demonstration Rs. 3,000 worth of Spanish groundnuts had to be obtained from America to meet the demand. In addition to the abovementioned demonstrations a practical lesson in vine pruning was given by Mr. Little in the Ganeshkhind Botanical Garden; and a party of gentlemen from the Southern Maratha Country were accommodated for a few days on the Manjri Farm and Ganeshkhind Garden and given a demonstration of our system of sugarcane cultivation gul-making, sugar-making and the management and use of oil-engines for cane-crushing and pumping.

In the matter of Shows also there has been a considerable extension Agricultural shows of some magnitude were held at Dharwar, Nadiad (Kaira District), Shirala, Satara District), and Ahmednagar while departmental exhibitions on a smaller scale were undertaken at Ahmedabad, Panvel (Kolaba District) Sholapur, Shrigonda (Ahmednagar District), Godhra, Peint (Satara District), Hyderabad (Sind), Talbar (Hyderabad District) and Shikarpur. At Dharwar, Ahmednagar and Panvel, the Agricultural show was combined with a cattle show at Ahmedabad, Talbar and Shikarpur it was combined with the annual horse shows held at those places; at Sholapur with the annual cattle fair; and at Hyderabad and Godhra an Agricultural section was added to the general exhibitions that were held there. At Dharwar, Nadiad, Ahmednagar and Shrigonda, the local Agricultural Associations undertook a great part of the organisation of the shows, and at other places we received much help from local committees formed for the purpose, and from the local authorities. At these shows prizes were given both for cattle and for produce; and in many cases the exhibits were excellent both in quantity and in quality. Departmental exhibits were also put up of crops suitable to the locality; and entomological and mycological sections were well organised, and matters explained to all comers. Various processes such as improved gul-making and seed-pickling were demonstrated, and many improved implements and machines were shown in motion; while at the Ahmednagar show we had a seed stall where orders for various kinds of selected seed were booked. In the case of Sind the implement section was a special feature and its success will be judged from the fact that some 200 improved implements were disposed of with ease. These were manufactured at the workshop at Mirpurkhas, which fully paid its own way, and was unable to meet the demand that was created. At several Shows, also, Messrs. Kirlosk

April by a large show at Shirala. There were four matters of prime importance that we had to show

(1) that the use of the Poona furnace for gul-boiling will save about Rs. 30 worth of fuel per acre of sugar-cane cultivated as compared with the Satara furnace;

(2) that an iron plough with 4 bullocks will work the heavy soil of the locality faster and better than the heavy wooden plough with 8 or 10 bullocks;

(3) that nitrogenous top-dressings for sugar-cane are very profitable;

(4) that to treat jowari seed with sulphate of copper, costing 1 anna per acre sown, will often give a profit of a hundred-fold and more.

As a result of our operations many people have adopted the Poona furnace and several have written to say that in the first year it saved them considerable expenditure on fuel; several people tried nitrogenous top dressings for sugarcane, and at the Shirala show spoke well of their effect; the value of the iron plough was generally admitted; and many people have expressed their intention to dress their seed with copper sulphate. In short we have now got into close touch with a very highly cultivated tract, where the people are most receptive of new ideas; but were before hardly conscious of the existence of the Agricultural Department, or its teachings. As regards the adoption of the Poona furnace for gul-making in the Satara district I will here give the translation of an extract from a letter received from Bhau Patil of Kasegaon in the south of the Satara District, viz. :—

"The gul-making process adopted at the Manjri Farm has been tried in my field with advantage. The boiling pan and construction of the oven after the Poona pattern have been found to be superior to the method in use in these parts. This fact has been acknowledged by many cultivators here. The area of sugarcane dealt with was 2 acres 10 gunthas, and 48 boilings were made. With the ordinary Satara method the megass would supply fuel for 24 boilings, and fuel for the other 24 would have to be purchased, costing Rs. 2 per boiling, or Rs. 72 in all. By the new process it was only necessary to purchase fuel for 4 boilings, costing Rs. 12 in all. There was thus a clear saving of Rs. 60. The fieldman and gul-making experts of the Agricultural Department did their work very well, and we are grateful for the assistance given."

This opinion from a very practical and intelligent patil who farms in a large way in a fertile tract is well worth having; and it must be remembered that it refers to a matter in connection with which lakhs of rupees are annually wasted, particularly in the Satara and Belgaum districts. It was Mr. P. C. Patil, Divisional Inspector of Agriculture, Central Division, who first brought this fact to notice.

In Sind a notable departure has been made by the establishment of a number of sub-stations; and the three graduate fieldmen who have hitherto been serving an apprenticeship on the Mirpurkhas Farm were each put in charge of a group of such sub-stations. The groups are as follows:—(1) Lower Hyderabad. (2) Upper Hyderabad. (3) Sukkur.

At the head-quarters of each fieldman a building is being fitted up as a store for seed, implements and literature, and a standing exhibition of Agricultural produce. In north Hyderabad there are 4 sub-stations, viz., Kandiaro, Nowshahro, Dadu and Halla. In south Hyderabad there are three sub-stations, viz., Tando Muhammadkhan, Tando Bago and Badin. In Sukkur there are three sub-stations viz., Shikarpur Pano Akil and Mirpur Mathelo. At each of these sub-stations a plot of 10 acres belonging to a Zemindar is laid out for demonstration purposes, and is supervised by the Department the zemindar getting the cultivation done and taking the produce. Such crops as American and Dharwar-American cotton, Chapti jowar, groundnuts and pulses are being introduced where they were unknown before; and a special point is made of the advantages of good cultivation, and proper rotations. This is a cheap and effective method of inculcating simple lessons; and is suited to the conditions of Sind.

THE SOLDIERS' HOME.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—On behalf of the Committee of the Soldiers' Home it gives me great pleasure to state that the sum realised by the sale of tickets for the special football match on Friday last was Rs. 320, against which has to be debited Rs. 40 for expenses of the band and a further sum of about Rs. 80 for printing, advertising, etc., the bills for which have not yet been received. The nett proceeds may therefore be estimated at about Rs. 200, for which we desire to return our thanks to the Committee of the Rovers' Tournament and for their generosity in placing the stands, chairs, etc. at our disposal, free of any charge which added to the kind feeling they have extended towards the cause of the British soldiers. Our special thanks are also due to Mr. F. Hogan, the Hon. Secretary, for remembering our institution and placing its claims before his Committee, with the result that our funds have been augmented to an extent that incurs our obligations and appreciations. We have also to tender our grateful thanks to General Barter for the interest he has shown in the institution by acquiescing in the request which was made to him to preside at the function connected with the presentation of the cup, which had to be deferred as the match resulted in a draw.

I take this opportunity of mentioning that the Soldiers' Home is an institution of an entirely undenominational character, in which the social and recreative tenets of soldiers are advanced to some extent as intellectual and moral influences. The institution is open to all British soldiers and for that matter to sailors as well of the Navy—it is non-sectarian—in fact, though Christian work is the underlying influence, religion is not stuffed down the throats of our soldier and sailor visitors. There is, however, a separate prayer-room which is open to their use or not, as they like.

The receipts of the match have come to hand at a time when we need funds to make greater strides with the work of providing the British soldiers when on visit to Bombay with board and residence at rates suitable to their incomes and thus to overcome the undesirable influence of the cheap hotels and boarding-houses that they are forced to use in the absence of such a home as we have for them, where in addition to board and lodging, they are provided with amusements and entertainments of an elevating nature. I should always be only too pleased to afford to those interested in our work any information they would like to have regarding the institution. Visitors are always welcome to inspect the Home.—Yours, etc.,

C. R. MARRETT.

Bombay, Sept. 20.

CAMBAY COIN AND THE POST OFFICE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—Like many of the Native States the Cambay State has preserved its own copper currency, and I am glad to say that the currency of the State coins is a great facility to the mercantile people in Cambay. Besides this State, for which the coin is primarily meant, it passes current in the neighbouring British and Gaekwaree villages; wherein the coin is accepted without the least objection. Though the coin has thus met with the general approval of the public, one is greatly surprised to find why the same is not at all accepted in the Post Office situated in the very centre of the city. The Postal authorities always insist on having the British currency only. One can't understand the reason why they are so very unyielding. On account of this anomaly what frequently occurs is that a man who has from the very shop, adjoining the Post Office got some copper coins for a rupee, on going to the Post Office finds the coins given to him quite useless.

Under these circumstances it is highly desirable that the Post Office should give way for the convenience of the public. The Postal Department, which is always anxiously looking after the convenience of the public, so much so that it is careful to supply stamp dampers for the free use of stamps, cannot be regardless of a question affecting the convenience of some thousands of people. I see no reason why the Post Office should refuse the Cambay copper coin. It may accept the coins and get the same exchanged for equivalent British value from the State "Toshakhana." This will not cause least hardship to the people. Again, this concession is not likely to entail any additional duty on the Postal Department.

Habituated, however, as the people of Cambay are to this anomalous state of things, the inconvenience is not less embarrassing on that account only. It is, therefore, highly necessary for those who are concerned in the management of the Postal Department and who are responsible for the convenience of the people living in Cambay, that they should see that the coin is accepted as equivalent to its British value without the least objection.

O. S. I.

SHOOTING AFFAIR AT A MISSION.

Rash Act by a European.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, SEPTEMBER 20.

A case of shooting is reported to have occurred at the Poona Indian Village Mission at Nasrapur, in the Bhor State, some 28 miles from Poona. About 1-30 p. m. on the afternoon of the 14th instant a young Englishman, named Sidney Smith, aged 25 years, it is alleged, took up a Winchester saloon rifle which he had in his room in the Mission compound and fired a shot, the bullet hitting a native labourer who was engaged in building operations in the same compound.

According to the story told by the Reverend Mr. Reeve, who is in charge of the Poona Indian Village Mission, Smith had come out of hospital after recovering from an attack of cholera on the 11st instant, and had seemed to him to be acting queerly ever since, as he used to talk about starting a cement factory to supply Government with cement and other things.

On the afternoon of the 14th, shortly before the shooting incident, he went to Smith's room about some building work of which Smith was supervisor, and after telling him what he wanted, found that Smith slammed the door in his face. He took no notice of this but walked down the garden, when he heard what he imagined was a sharp crack. Soon after some of his native workmen came running up to him and said one of the labourers had been wounded by Smith. He took the man to hospital where he is doing well. The bullet passed through his chest without injuring the lung and lodged near the spine, whence it has not been extracted yet. Smith is described as a quiet man and one greatly liked by all the workmen.

Mr. Power, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Poona, went out to Nasrapur and after holding an inquiry took charge of Smith from the Bhor State authorities and brought him into Poona yesterday. He placed Smith before the Collector, who is also the Political Agent for Bhor, and obtained a remand. Smith is now lodged in the Yerrowda Jail awaiting trial.

THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, SEPTEMBER 21.

The depression in North-East India has moved westwards. Its centre is now near Saugor Island. It has become more concentrated and is causing moderate to heavy rainfall in its neighbourhood. Rain has been nearly general in Lower Burma, Eastern Bengal and the whole of Bengal. Light rain is also reported from most observatories on the East Coast of the Peninsular. Moulmein had four inches; Akyab and Theyetmyo one and a half; Menbu, Saugor Island, and Chaibassa, three; Calcutta, Burdwan, Berhampore and Balasore, two; Jessore and False Point, one and a half; and Ratnagiri and Cuddalore, one. The temperature is still low in Rajputana.

Forecast.—The rainfall is likely to decrease in the interior of Burma and to increase in Chota Nagpur and Orissa, and extend into the East of the United Provinces, of Central India and of the Central Provinces.

RAINFALL IN BOMBAY,

	Colaba.	Esplanade Fort.	Byculla.	Parel.
	In Cts	In Cts	In Cts	In Cts
Previously registered	81·94	77·23	89·83	63·24
Tuesday, 21st Sept.....	0·57	0·30	0·33	0·45
Total.....	82·51	77·53	90·16	63·69
Same date last year	70·20	67·03	65·77	49·57

CUMBALLA HILL.

MESSRS. KEMP & Co., Ld.
September 21.
Rainfall up to 8 a. m.

Station.	Last 24 hours,	Total to date,	Corpdg. Total 1907.	Corpdg. Total 1908.
	In. cts.	In. cts.	In. cts.	In cts.
Cumballa Hill...	0·43	75·7	89·87	55·1

BOMBAY DAILY WEATHER REPORT FOR THE 21ST SEPTEMBER.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Tuesday, the 21st September, 1909, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are clear and humidity is in excess at most places. Day temperature is in defect in the South-East Punjab; minimum is normal.

The United Provinces.—Light to moderate loud has appeared everywhere except at Agra. Humidity is neither equal to or in defect and temperature is normal.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are clear and now the usual amount of moisture is present in the air. Maximum remains in defect at Karachi and Ajmer while minimum is normal.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Surat reports 0·15" of rain and Veraval and Dwarka had very light showers. Skies are lightly to moderately clouded over the whole division. The air is damper than usual at Bhuj, Deesa and Surat. Temperature is normal.

The Central Provinces.—Khandwa and Akola report very light rain. Skies are generally moderately to heavily clouded and the air contains the usual amount of moisture. Maximum is normal but minimum is in defect in Berar and at Hoshangabad.

The Konkan.—Rainfall has been general. Ratnagiri has had 0·99", Bombay 0·45", Mormugao 0·24" and Karwar 0·19." Skies are moderately to heavily clouded and the air has become slightly damper than usual. Temperature is normal.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Malegaon records very light rain. Skies are lightly to moderately clouded and humidity is generally below the average. Temperature during day is normal while at night it is in defect at Malegaon and Ahmednagar.

General Remarks.—General rain has fallen on the West Coast and in Malabar. A few falls have also occurred in parts of Madras. Pressure on the north Coromandel Coast and is relatively low and at Raipur it is more than 1-10th of an inch below the average. Cloud has increased and skies are moderately to heavily clouded over Raipur. The depression in the Bay appears to move north-north-westwards.

Local rain is likely in Berar, on the West Coast and in Malabar. A few falls may occur in Central Provinces.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorologist, Bombay.

THE Von Veltheim case is to be brought to the notice of Parliament again. Mr. Belloc, M.P., has given notice to ask the Home Secretary whether he is aware that the statements put in after the conviction of Von Veltheim and before his sentence were not put in by the police in the ordinary way, but by a detective who had been previously privately employed by the prosecutor.

A SCHEME for the reorganisation of the Appraising and Preventive Departments of the Calcutta Customs House is understood to have received the sanction of the Secretary of State.

SPORTING NEWS.

QUETTA AUTUMN RACES.

First Day.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

QUETTA, SEPTEMBER 21.

The following are the results of the first day of the Quetta Autumn races held to-day:—

THE SIRIAB PLATE.

Capt. Holmes' Barcarolle 9st. 9lbs.....Owner 1
Col. O'Donnell's Arthur 10st. 5lbs....Capt Furnell 2
Mr. O'Hara's Ariadne 11st. 6lbs.....Owner 3
Won by a length; three and a half lengths between the second and third. Time—1min. 7 3-5 secs.
ALSO RAN.—Major Teed's Peter Lusset.

THE NOVICE RACE.

Capt. Ingham's Molly 11st. 5lbs.....Owner 1
Mr. H. De N. Lucas' Bozo II 10st. 4lbs.....Capt. Furnell 2
Capt. Reddee's Brilliant 11st. 2lbs....Capt Underwood 3
Capt. Rivett Carnac's Pearl O'Dee 9st. 9lbs..... Capt. Holmes 4
Won by three lengths; one and a quarter length between the second and third.
ALSO RAN.—Judy, Shelia, Shahen, Gan and Nun.

THE ARAB RACE.

Capt. Leake's Sirdar 9st. 3lbs.....Capt. Furnell 1
Capt. Maclean's Fireway 9st. 7lbs.....Mr. Clive 2
Mr. Fared's Barkies 10st. 11lbs...Capt. Johnston 3
Mr. Woodward's Winter 10st 7lbs ...Mr. O'Hara 4
Won by three lengths; four lengths between next two.—Time 1 min. 27 3 5 secs.
ALSO RAN.—Richard, Don Juan, Muscana and Boreas.

THE PONY HURDLES.

Capt Boilean's Godiva, 11st...Capt Bartholomew 1
Mr Bethell's Daphne, 11st 2lbs .....Owner 2
Mr O'Hara's Ariadne, 11st 6lbs.....Owner 3
Mr Bethell's Wanhoe II, 9st 8lbs.....Capt Furnell 4
Won by half a length; one and a half lengths between the second and third. Time—2min 3secs.
ALSO RAN:—Brisbane, Vesta, Beauty II and Larrikin.

THE HORSE PLATE.

Capt Forsythe's Goodinvar, 11st.....Capt Higgon 1
Capt Hallowe's Bar Sinister 10st. 3lbs.....Owner 2
Mr Woodward's P D Q, 11st 6lbs ...Capt Furnell 3
Mr Blane's The Gift, 10st 3lbs .....Mr Power 4
Won by a small length; half a length between second and third. Time.—1min 18 4-5secs.
ALSO RAN.—Sevest, William (late Bill Squires), Kohincor, Pilgrim's Progress, and Raghine.

THE ARAB NOVICE RACE.

Capt Harkness' Optic, 10st 6lbs.....Owner 1
Mr Graham's Mashook, 8st 13lbs...Col O'Donnnel 2
Mr Brock's Olympia, 10st 9lbs 3
Capt Hallowe's Ali Baba, 10st .....Owner 4
Won by a neck; four lengths between the second and third. Time.—35 secs.
ALSO RAN.—Barkies, Hubara, Hope and Boreas.

BOMBAY ROVERS' TOURNAMENT.

Gloucesters vs. Rovers.

Pools of water were standing all over the ground when this match was commenced at the Cooperage yesterday. Heavy rain fell during the game and after twenty-five minutes' play, when each side had scored a goal, the match was postponed till to-day.

In a team race between the R. F. A., Kirkee, and Victoria Jubilee Institute, the latter put out only one man, who came in last. The R. F. A. thus scored 12 points, the fastest time for the 120 yards being 14 1-5secs., by Bom. Kelly.

DURAND FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPTEMBER 21.

The King's Regiment set the ball in motion and at once commenced attacking. Shortly afterwards, the Dragoons ran up the field, their centre forward losing a splendid opening to score. The exchanges following were even. The referee's whistle eventually concluded the initial stage of the game. On re-starting the King's set the pace a going, their repeated attempts at the Dragoons' goal being unrewarded. They were, however, not to be denied and from a free-kick for hands against their adversaries Broadfield secured the ball, but in his attempt to score it bounded off the left back of the Dragoons and Welby being on the spot notched the one and only goal for his side. The Dragoons, however, made a good show against a superior team. The Kings will certainly have to play very much stronger to carry off the trophy. They should now experience no difficulty in coming into the finals. Result:—

King's Liverpool Regiment..... 1 Goal.
King's Dragoon Guards..... Nil.

The sides were:—

King's Liverpool Regiment:—Forwards: Pugh, Welby, Broadfield, Rhodes and Boriman; halfbacks: Hughes, Reston and Stephenson; backs: Jennings and Lethbridge; goal: Waters.

King's Dragoon Guards—Forwards: Bueler, Townsend, Richer, Haggerstony and Kirton; halfbacks: Pye, Askew and Williams; backs: Bramell, and Hawley; goal: Watts.

Referee—Staff Sergeant Curly.

The Mountain Battery beat the Simla United "B" team by two goals to nil.

NAINI TAL POLO TOURNAMENT.

Civil Service Week.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, SEPTEMBER 21.

The Naini Tal Civil Service week opened on Saturday, with the Polo Tournament. In the first of the two games played, the 15th Hussars, comprising Mr. Wells, Mr. Kruen and Captain Barrett (back) beat the Royal Dragoons, comprising Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Turner and Major Makins (back,) by ten goals to four. In the second game the Three Fourths, comprising Mr. Bradley, Mr. Howson and Mr. Harene (back), all of the 4th Cavalry, won by seven goals to two against the Rifle Brigade subalterns, represented by Mr. Dimsdale, Mr. Railston and Mr. Railey (back). In this game Mr. Railston was thrown and his horse rolled over him. He was removed to hospital but is not seriously hurt.

On Monday, the 15th Hussars scratched to the Wanderers, owing to the indisposition of Captain Barrett.

The following are the results of games:—

17th Cavalry Subalterns: Mr. Dodd, Mr. Atkinson and Mr. Kirkwood (back) won by eight goals to two against the Civil Service "B" team, comprising Mr. Murray, Mr. Williamson and Mr. Grant (back).

The Civil Service "A" team, (Mr. Keane, Mr Adams and Mr. Hoare (back): beat the "Worms" represented by Mr. Gannon, Mr. Mullaly and, Mr. Berthoum, by five goals to four.

At the close of time the game was four all. With widened goals, the game was continued and the civil team won as above.

DR. RATANSHA TEMULJI NARIMAN, M. D., has been elected a Councillor of the Municipal Corporation in the vacancy caused by the resignation of the late Mr. Dwarkadas Dharamsey.

THE Marquis de Dion has sent a letter to the Automobile Club de France requesting that at the next committee meeting of the Club the decision to found a Grand Prix d'Aviation of the Automobile Club de France, worth £8,000 should be discussed with a view to drawing up the conditions in order that the prize may be competed for next year.

THE TRIANGULAR CONTEST.

Rain Interferes.

Owing to the heavy rains play was found impossible, yesterday, in the fixture between the Presidency and the Parsees. Heavy showers had fallen overnight, but the sun shone brightly in the morning and about two thousand spectators assembled to witness the match. The ground having dried quickly, there appeared every prospect of a start being made at the appointed hour in glorious weather. Then, however, just as the players were practising at the nets prior to the commencement of the match, clouds again began to gather and about half an hour before the time appointed the rain began to drizzle, a little later it came down in heavy showers, which continued falling till 2 p.m. There was a break, but it was only a temporary one and the rain again coming down shattered the last hopes of a start being made yesterday. The whole maidan was practically under water, including the in and ont-fields and it was finally decided to postpone the match till this morning.

CONGO MALADMINISTRATION.

Mr. E. D. Morel, Honorary Secretary of the Congo Reforms Association, has addressed a letter to Sir Edward Grey, in which he complains of the attitude of the Belgian authorities towards British subjects and natives in the Katanga district of the Congo State. The question in Katanga is, he says, that of the rights secured to British subjects "of buying, of selling, or letting, and of hiring lands and buildings, mines and forests, and of founding houses of commerce and of carrying on commerce," in accordance with the Anglo-Congolese Convention of 1884. According to information received by the Association the whole of the Katanga Province is subject to a strict monopoly "except in so far as a specific British mining interest is connected with this monopoly and enjoys such advantages as may be derived therefrom." "Le Comite Special du Katanga" deliberately seeks, says Mr. Morel, "to exclude newcomers, either by drafting regulations as to the holding of land, as to the erection of stores, as to licenses and permits to trade, of such a character as to prevent intending settlers, ranchers, farmers, and merchants from entering the territory." Mr. Morel cites a specific case in which the Belgian authorities, instead of welcoming certain farmers and transport riders from Bulawayo and Kalome, placed obstacle after obstacle in their way, with the result that several thousands of pounds was lost to the intending settlers, who abandoned their attempt to enter the district and had to return into British territory. Other enterprising British subjects of both British and Dutch descent—farmers, merchants, miners, and others—are anxious to enjoy the rights which International Treaties reserve to Europeans of all nationalities in the Congo territories. The establishment, therefore, of British Consular jurisdiction in the Katanga territories to insure a proper administration of justice towards foreigners, is, in the opinion of the Congo Reform Association, one of the first steps necessary to put an end to incidents of the kind just described.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR J. W. HAWES, COMMANDING, B. V. A.

Bombay, 22nd September.

654 TRANSFERS.

The following members are transferred from No. 3 Company to No. 2 Company:—

Br. G. L. Chard, Gr. A. J. Stewart.

655 STRENGTH.

The following members having joined are taken on the strength of the Corps and posted to the E E Coy:—

No. 66 Sapper W. J. Matchin.
No. 67 Sapper J. J. Hardman.

NOTICE.

A Promenade Concert will be held in the Town Hall on Tuesday the 28th inst. at 9-30 p.m. Refreshments can be obtained.

Tickets can be obtained from No. 1 of Sub-Division Head Quarters and B.V.A. Club.

Tickets at Re. 1 for Gentlemen.

Tickets free for Ladies.

E. P. CUDLIP, Lt., R. A.,
Adjt., B. V. A.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR T. A. SAVAGE, V. D.

Bombay, 22nd September.

286.—Detail for the week ending 25th instant.

To-day Wednesday, 22nd instant.—For Recruits of "G" Coy. at the Gymkhana at 7-30 a. m.

II. "M" Coy. Parade on Coy. parade ground at 3-45 p.m.

III. "H" Coy. Parade on Coy. parade ground at 4 p.m.

Thursday, 23rd instant.—"I" Coy. Parade on Coy parade ground at 3-45 p. m.

Friday, 24th instant.—"H" Coy. Parade on Coy. parade ground at 12 noon.

II. "K" Coy. (John Connon School) Parade on Coy. parade ground at 3-30 p. m.

III. All Recruits of the current season to Parade at Headquarters at 6-30 p. m.

287.—Rifle Matches.—The conditions of the Viceroy's Competition for 1909-1910 have been received and can be seen at Headquarters. The following extracts are published for information:—The Competition is open to Volunteers of all ranks. Entrance fee Rs. 4 to be paid to the Adjutant by the 24th September 1909. No post entries allowed. The first stage (i. e.) 200, 500 and 600 yards (aggregate) to be fired between the 1st and 31st October 1909. The total amount of prizes to be competed for in 3 stages is Rs. 5,110.

288.—Company Drills will be held from 1st October 1909, under Officers Commanding Companies.

289.—Extract from Government Notification No. 4737 dated 8th September 1909 is published for information:—

Captain (Honorary Major) William Boughton Chambers is transferred from the Bombay Volunteer Rifles to the Bombay Volunteer Artillery in the rank of Captain to complete the establishment, dated 6th July 1909.

290.—Issue of Arms.—Arms and Accoutrements will be issued to Members of the Corps at Head-Quarters between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p. m. daily except Sundays.

291.—Musketry.—Saturday the 25th instant.—The Range at Ghat Kopar will be available for Class Firing. Train leaves Victoria Terminus at 1-55 p.m.

Sunday 26th instant.—The Range at Ghat Kopar will be available for Class Firing. Train leaves Victoria Terminus at 6-45 a.m.

O. N. MOBERLY, Capt.,
Actg. Adjt., B. V. R.

CUT THREE INCHES DEEP.

Terrible Operation for Stone in the Kidneys.

"I suffered from inflammation of the bladder and stone in the kidneys for 2 years," says Mrs. A. Hanson, of 19, Hawk Street, Huddersfield, England. "At first I couldn't understand what was the matter with me; my eyes grew puffy, and I could hardly see out of them; I had awful headaches, and my feet and hands began to swell terribly. The urine was thick and gravelly, and very scarce. One moment I would be in a fever of heat, with drops of perspiration rolling off me; the next moment I was all of a chill.

"I used to have mustard poultices applied to ease the terrible pain, and, although they burnt the skin off, I never felt anything of them, so cruel was the pain in my back.

"I got into such a state that I had to go into .....Infirmary, where I was detained 10 weeks. There, I was operated upon, and as long as I live I shall never forget the horror of that operation. They cut me three inches deep in the side, and it seemed just as though they had lifted the flesh right up. Even to-day I shudder to think of what I went through, and no power on earth could persuade me to undergo such a terrible ordeal again I thought every hour was going to be my last.

"I feel sure that if I had begun with Doan's Backache Kidney Pills earlier I should never have needed to undergo that operation. Before I had taken many doses I felt relieved, and after a few boxes the water began to pass quite naturally, all the muddiness had gone, and there was no gravel. I have not had one of those bad turns of kidney complaint from that day to this, although I used to have bad turns every week or fortnight before."

Several months later Mrs. Hanson said, "I have been keeping first rate ever since I used Doan's Backache Kidney Pills."

Doan's Backache Kidney Pills are sold by all medicine dealers and stores at Rs 2 per bottle, or 6 bottles for Rs. 10-8-0, or from Doan's Medicines P.O. Box 20, Bombay.

THE INDIAN MERCHANTS' CHAMBER.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The following is the Report of the Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber and Bureau, which will be presented at the Annual Meeting on Saturday next:—In presenting this second Annual Report, it gives your Committee great satisfaction to observe that the work of the Chamber is being greatly appreciated and is potentiality to successfully promote its aims and objects in course of time is generally recognised.

It will be noticed from the report—the actual practical work which your Committee were able to accomplish during the year under review. The increase in the number of members (eleven) was satisfactory and is an excellent index to the popularity of your Chamber and the larger interest the Indian commercial community of the city and the Presidency takes in all matters affecting their interests.

Secondly, both the local and the Imperial Governments have been pleased to address the Chamber on all important mercantile matters on which they feel desirous of eliciting the opinions of its members. This solicitude on the part of governing authorities you will no doubt greatly appreciate as your Committee do. We are all convinced that it is only by full and frank interchange of views and by mutual co-operation that the welfare of the whole mercantile community can be promoted with the greatest advantage.

Lastly, the extended popularity and support which the Chamber's monthly journal has acquired is another certain index of its progress.

SOUTH AFRICAN INDIANS.

The first matter which engaged the attention of your Committee was the unjust treatment meted out to our countrymen in South Africa. Even after ten years there is no satisfactory solution of the problem and the recent legislation in Parliament has proved most disappointing. In anticipation of it your Committee after serious consideration had appealed to Lord Morley by telegram to redress the grievances of British Indians in South Africa and relieve the tension, vexation and annoyance which has been greatly prevalent throughout the country. The Bombay Native Piece-Goods Merchants' Association, the Grain Merchants' Association, the Bombay Cotton Exchange and the Share Brokers' Association—all joined the Chamber in its protest. A copy of the telegram was also forwarded to Lord Ampthill who as president of the South African British Indian Committee has rendered and is rendering yeoman's service to the cause of the Indians in South Africa. Your Committee however regret to say that notwithstanding all efforts and appeals and the strong backing by the Imperial Government on their behalf Parliament has failed in its duty and responsibility towards His Majesty's British Indian subjects to protect them in South Africa. The colour line is now definitely marked out, which can bode no good either to the Union or the Indians in South Africa.

In December 1908 the Government of India proposed to make changes in the system of telegrams. Your Committee generally approved of the changes namely, to have only two classes of telegrams instead of three, but suggested that the charge for an ordinary telegram should be fixed at four annas, the number of free words allowed for it being fixed at eight and that the charge for each additional word in the case of urgent telegrams should be fixed at 1 1/2 annas.

The suggestion was not acted upon.

Another matter which the Chamber was invited to offer its opinion on, was the advisability of introducing half an anna nickel coin in the currency of the country. Your Committee disapproved of the suggestion on the ground that the old Dhabbu or half an anna was adequately fulfilling the purpose and that there was no suggestion among the public for any change whatever. If at all, the introduction of a coin of a denomination lower than that of a pie would, if issued, be found extremely popular and immensely convenient to the poor.

The Government have recently notified their intention of not issuing the half-anna nickel coin.

The question of the refund of town duties having engaged the attention of the Municipal Corporation, the Municipal Commissioner in his letter of the 12th December 1908 requested your Committee's opinion on the revised rules in connection therewith. After consulting the representatives of the grain, sugar and ghee trade, the Municipal Commissioner was dully informed of the suggestions which the Committee considered advisable.

A member of the Chamber, Messrs. Narandas Rajaram and Co., brought to the notice of your Committee the shortage of waggons last busy season at Ettawah and the consequent loss inflicted upon merchants dealing in cotton. The Committee addressed the Railway Board drawing their attention to the shortage with a view to its being remedied.

The Railway Board replied that every effort was being made to remove the inconvenience.

The Grain Merchants' Association having issued a circular letter to different Associations and Chambers, in reference to the inconveniences generally felt by merchants by reason of the prohibition of quarter anna stamps for hundis, your Committee approved of the suggestion to move the Government to make the use of quarter anna stamps legal for hundi purposes.

The next matter which occupied the attention of your Committee was the Trade Mark registration, a question which has now and again been raised during the last 30 years and more. Your Committee were consulted by the Government as to the advisability of having a Trade Mark registration law for India. They were informed that the existing law was ample for all practical purposes and that no new legistation whatever was at all necessary or expedient.

THE PORT TRUST.

One of the most important measures passed by the Bombay Government during the year was that relating to the constitution of the Port Trust. Till the passing of the Act 1 of 1909 the number of Indian trustees nominated by the Government was three. Your Committee respectfully drew the attention of the Government to the fact that though that number might have been considered adequate years ago when the trade of the Port was far less than it is now, it was altogether inadequate for representing the existing large and varied interests. It was also pointed out that the perpetuation of the system of nomination for the appointment of Indian trustees was undesirable and should be substituted by the system of election, the number of Indian Trustees being at the same time increased to five. Further that the Chamber ought to be granted the privilege of electing at least three if not five Indian Trustees. It is a matter for no little satisfaction that the Government have been pleased to increase the number of Indian trustees to five and have provided for two out of the five seats being filled up by election.

The Jain Graduates' Association, representative of the Shwetamber section of the Jains, had written to the Government praying for separate Jain Bank holidays. The Government having asked the opinion of the Chamber on the matter, your Committee replied that Jain community was divided into three sects and that holidays of these differed from one another. It was feared therefore that if the Government granted the request of the Jain Graduates' Association, representations for observance of their respective holidays would be made by the other two sections. It was for the Government to consider therefore whether it was expedient to comply with the request. The Government refused the request.

As the rules which were originally framed were found on a practical working to be defective in many respects, your Committee had them thoroughly revised. These were unanimously passed by the general meeting on the 31st July 1909.

Your Committee approved of the recent step taken by the Government to fix the minimum of telegraphic transfers at Rs. 25,000 instead of Rs. 50,000 and recommended that that minimum might still further be reduced with every advantage to ten thousand rupees.

Your Committee have also approved of two important amendments recently made in the Indian Companies' Act in reference to payment of interest out of capital and reissue of debentures.

Very recently the Government of Bombay informed your Committee that the Indian Merchants' Chamber and the Bombay Native Merchants Piece Goods' Association had been recognised as representing Indian trade and commerce to conjointly exercise the privilege of electing a member to the reformed Legislative Council and inquired which of the two methods of election suggested by the Government would meet with their approval. The suggested methods were:—(1) that both the bodies should join together and elect a member; (2) that each body should elect ten delegates and that these delegates should then proceed to elect a member to the Council. Your Committee expressed their thanks to the Government for the privilege thus conferred and approved of the second method of election.

Your Committee are pleased to inform members of the success the Journal has met in all quarters. Both the Press and the commercial public have appreciated the Chamber's effort in this direction which is already beginning to have an educative effect. The Committee specially take this opportunity to acknowledge the generous support which H. H. the Maharajah Gaekwar of Baroda has accorded to it by ordering the journal for use in all the public libraries of the State. Your Committee regret to have to record the death of one of their members, the late Mr. Chaturbhuj Morarji. In him the Chamber has lost one of the most influential and weighty supporters.

The Balance Sheet of the Chamber audited by the Hon. auditor, Mr. Abdoolkadar Noorbhoy, is given herewith.

AGRICULTURE AT THE UNITED PROVINCES EXHIBITION.

This Exhibition will be opened at Allahabad in December 1910, and, even at this early period of the preparations, intending exhibitors and the public generally may care to know the lines on which it is hoped to organise the Agricultural Court. It would be idle to contend that the Agricultural Court is usually the most attractive feature of an exhibition: extensive displays of resting machinery and of agricultural produce may have a very real interest for the expert, but it must be admitted that they often receive but languid attention from landholders and the public generally. It is a well recognised fact that improvements in agriculture in the province must be largely pioneered by the land-holding classes, and consequently the first condition of success is that the Agricultural Court shall be attractive not merely to experts but to visitors who are wanting in technical knowledge but at the same time are interested in increasing their income from the land. Experience gained in various places, and particularly at the very successful exhibition held last year at Nagpur suggests that this object can best be attained firstly by showing all or nearly all the machinery and appliances actually at work, and wherever possible with independent prime-movers, and secondly by exhibiting agricultural produce in close proximity to the machinery required for its treatment in other words by the "close association of products and processes." An attempt is being made to carry out these principles at Allahabad so far as it can be done with due regard to the wishes of exhibitors. Thus one of the leading features of the court will be the tillage-field, on which as large as possible a choice of ploughs and other implements of tillage will be regularly at work, so that visitors can see for themselves the depth and quality of the tilth, and the weight and draught of the various implements. Near the tillage-field will be the waterlift section, where it is hoped to show a larger selection of lifts for irrigation than has ever been brought together in India ranging from pumps worked by a couple of coolies through various forms of bullock-lifts, to power pumps of different capacities. These will it is hoped be installed on an artificial lake which will be fed from the Jumna by still larger pumping machinery such as wealthy landholders might profitably instal on lakes or rivers; while on the adjoining tillage-field facilities will be given for showing the area that a particular lift will irrigate in a given time a point of more immediate interest to ordinary visitors than any figures of the quantity of water lifted or of the power consumed.

Next will come the series of sections dealing with produce, the cereal section, the sugar section, the oilseeds section, the fodder section and so on. In each of these the same general arrangement will prevail, the raw and finished produce being exhibited alongsides of the machines which are intended to convert the one into the other. Thus in the cereal section it is hoped that visitors interested in wheat or flour will be able to see not only the best types of wheat and flour that the province can yield but also the milling-machinery actually producing the flour, and other machinery converting some of it into biscuits, macaroni, vermicelli and other products. In the oilseeds section again it is hoped to show oil-mills of various sizes at work close to the display of seeds and oils; while in the sugar section, the aim is to show the working of a variety of machinery from complete factories able to deal with the cane crop of an ordinary village or group of villages down to appliances within the reach of individual cultivators. Still following out the same idea, there will be a working dairy with everything complete from the cows to the butter, and a poultry farm where the methods of rearing, housing and feeding poultry can be studied at work; and generally speaking the arrangements will be such that any landholder, capitalist, or man of enterprise can study on the spot the details of anything that may arouse his interest.

The extent to which these plans can be realised must depend largely on the support accorded by exhibitors and by those gentlemen of influence who are now forming local committees in connection with the Exhibition.

It is hoped that exhibitors will not miss this exceptional opportunity of getting into touch with one of the largest potential markets for machinery that still remain undeveloped; while it should be the interest of each local committee to see that the special products of its district are displayed in their best and most attractive form, so that capitalists may have full opportunities of seeing the quality of the raw material that is available in the provinces. The wide-spread public interest already displayed in the exhibition is the best possible guarantee that gentlemen of public spirit will be found to undertake these functions with enthusiasm and discrimination.

TRAVELLING EXPENSES OF ACQUITTED PERSONS.

A BURMA Government circular, headed "Payment of subsistence allowance to persons sent up for trial by the Police and acquitted or discharged," dated Rangoon, 2nd September, 1909, says.—

The Commissioner of the Arakan Division, having brought to the notice of Government, the hardship which is often caused to persons sent up for trial by the Police who, on their acquital or discharge, have not the means to pay their expenses back to their homes, and having proposed that Government should in such cases pay their expenses, the Honourable Judges of the Chief Court and the Judicial Commissioner, Upper Burma, were consulted on this proposal. From the replies received it

BY THE WAY.

HOW TO WEIGH WITHOUT SCALES.

Some so-called useful hints are amusing and here is one form a French contemporary. It is a method of finding the weight of a pig without weighing it, and this is how you proceed. Take a tape or piece of string, and take the chest measurement; then the length of the animal from the shoulder to the tail. Multiply the chest measurement by itself, then by the length of the body, and finally by 87·5. The result will give approximately the weight of the animal in kilogrammes. For example, if the animal is 1·30 metres round the chest and 1·15, metres in length, this would give 1·69; multiply 1·69 by 1·15, and we get 1·943. Finally, multiply this number by 87·5, and we get 170 kilos. This will afford a pleasant pastime for country folk, especially if they try to weigh the pig alive. It will be observed that the author of this plan discards some of his decimals.

THE PIG AND THE GUN.

Here is material which would have enabled La Fontaine to write a fable entitled the man, the eagle and the pig. At Montmelian (Savoie) a small farmer had his poultry yard devastated by an eagle. Resolved to kill the King of birds, the farmer loaded his gun and put it within reach of where he was at work. His wife went to feed the pigs, and one getting out, wandered near the gun, and knocked against the weapon which went off. M. Casson, for that was the farmer's name, received the charge in his head and he was taken to hospital at Grenoble in a precarious condition.

LADY STUDENTS IN DISGRACE.

The "sending down" of 25 students of the Philosophical Faculty in Berlin University last term attracted much attention—for they were lady students and were sent down for hopeless laziness and inattention. It seems, says the "University Correspondent," that the recent concession of entrance to the Prussian Universities made to women is to be regarded as something to be lived up to. But one would like to know whether there is no loafing among male students—even those of the Philosophical Faculty in the University of Berlin.

LOYALTY BY ORDER.

An English visitor, according to the "Graphic," having noticed on a previous visit that on the occasion of the "name-day" of the Czarina there were only one or two flags visible, and these displayed on official buildings, perceived a few weeks ago, on a somewhat analogous celebration, that flags were everywhere the very views in the streets were obscured by waving bunting. "Why," he asked a friend, "do you, for instance, show a flag now while you did not do so then?" "Well," was the reply, "a policeman came and said that if I did not put up one, I should be fined a couple of hundred roubles. So I hoisted two, to be on the right side."

AN ADDER IN WATER.

The other morning while watching some grilse fising in a deep pool in a certain tributary of the Dee, I was surprised, writes "A. D. W." in the "Scotsman," to see what I at first took to be one of these fish moving along the surface of the water in a most unusual manner. On rapidly approaching nearer the scene, I discovered an adder almost two feet long swimming about in an apparently aimless manner, from one side of the pool to the other, I came to the conclusion that the adder had fallen off one of the overhanging rocks by which the pool is surrounded, and that it knew that it could not make an exit until it reached shallow water lower down. What impressed me most was that while the reptile had no difficulty in keepsng itself afloat, its power of steering a course was of the most elementary nature.

LEARNED SWEEPS AND BARGEES.

Frances's cobbler-poet and Germany's tailor-dramatist, must hide their diminished heads before two-accomplishad members of the British proletariat. Streatham possesses a chimney-sweep who is an erudite authority on Egyptology and author of a work on the population question, A certain Yorkshire town can boast of a learned bargee, who has long been a deep student of Greek mythology. When his boat is moored to the wharf awaiting a cargo he spends the leisure time in the local reference library reading up his subject and making copious notes. His constant companion, as he deftly steers his gallant ship along the canals, is a well-thumbed translation of Herodotus.

THE BALZAC MUSEUM.

M. Georges Vicaire, who has just been appointed Curator of the new Balzac Museum, gives a French contemporary an account of the foundation. It consists of the immense collection bequeathed to the late Institut de France by the late Vicomte Spoelberch de Lovenjoul, who spent most of his life in amassing books and manuscripts bearing on the history of the Romantic Movement. Fifteen hundred cases packed with books and autographs, and three wagon loads of pictures, articles of furniture, etc., have just been transferred from Paris to Chantilly, where a new treasure-house in which to store them has been acquired.

"Object" drawing has brought a new anxiety into English schools. In certain districts says the "Manchester Guardian," youngsters may be seen moving schoolward with hatchets, carvers, hammers, chisels, etc., material for their drawing-lessons. The other day, just as one of these lessons was about to begin, a small boy was found standing fearfully at the headmaster's desk. "I've swallowed my object," he explained with an alarming gulp. "What was it?" asked the master anxiously. "A banana," replied the would-be arstist with a final gulp.

SIR T. LIPTON AND THE AMERICA CUP.

Sir Thomas Lipton has something to say in the "Strand Magazine" as to how he first came to compete for the America Cup. One day in 1887 he was sitting at home thinking of the famous trophy and how the Thistle had been striving to gain it without success. "England has tried and failed," he said to himself. "Scotland has tried and failed. Then why not give Ireland a chance?" Always regarding himself as an Irishman in spite of his Scottish birth he decided to try, and the same night he sat down and wrote to his friend, Mr. Lynn, then member of Parliament for Cork, asking him if he would submit a proposition to the Royal Cork Yacht Club.

THE "SHAMROCK" AND "ERIN."

As Sir Thomas wished his challenge to be completely Irish, he mentioned in his letter that the yacht would be built from the designs of an Irishman, would be manned by an Irish crew, and commanded by an Irish skipper. Bat, on the receipt of Mr. Lynn's reply, found that an all-Irish challenge was out of the question, for at that time there was neither an Irish boat-designer nor could any skipper for the class of boat be obtained. Determined as he was to make his challenge as Irish as possible he had to wait for some years before his opportunity came. He built his yacht, and because it is the national emblem of Ireland, and because he has always considered it a token of good luck, he christened her "Shamrock" and her consort "Erin."

THE WORLD'S TIMBER.

Professor Somerville's paper before the British Association on this subject shows that the world is steadily approaching a timber famine. Already Britain pays each year 27 millions sterling for wood; Germany, with nearly twelve times the area of forest possessed by Britain, annually pays 12 millions sterling for imported timber; and, although the United States of America exports wood and wood products to the value of 20 millions sterling per annum, she has to pay as much for imports. In Europe, Sweden and Russia are, of course, the chief timber-exporting countries, but in both cases the vast inroads on supplies is seriously felt, and exports are being appreciably reduced. There are, of course, Canada and Siberia, but in Canada, at all events wood is being used up at a rapid rate.

THE Russian submarine "Kambala," which sank with the loss of twenty men on June 12 last, after a collision with the battleship "Rostislav" during a sham attack on the harbour at Sevastopol, has been raised.

THE ocean-going destroyer "Afridi," of the Tribal class, is only now about to be commissioned, though laid down on August 9, 1906. Strikes on the Tyne just before she began her steam trials delayed her completion.

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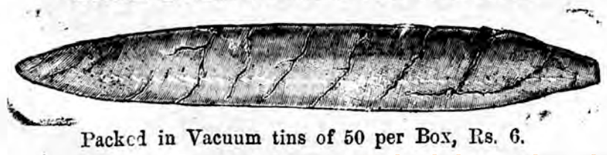

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BOOKS AND BOOKMEN.

THE various recent reviews of the translation of "The Cathedral" of Vicente Blasco Ibanez may serve to call attention to one who, although by no means standing in the front rank of living novelists, yet has a little sphere in which he walks alone, and who deserves a wider popularity among English people than he has yet received. His volume of travels, "En el Pais del Arte," is a remarkably shrewd and vivid work, and, although the fruit of a sojourn of only three months in Italy, belongs to an entirely different category from the superficial productions of tourists for whom to have swum in a gondola is sufficient pretext for writing a book on the subject. It is as a novelist, however, that Ibanez stands or falls, and his novels are of diverse kinds and values. "Arroz y Tartana" is hardly a success, but "Entre Naranjos" has a rich poetic atmosphere, is curiously suggestive of Maupassant, and has had a great propularity in his own country. In "Sonnica la Cortesana" the scene is cast in Spain in the days of Hannibal, but although the book is informed by a strong imagination, there is in its realism a touch of Spanish coarseness of a sort to repel the English reader. It is as a regionalist novelist that Ibanez rises to all his inches and his "region" is Valencia and its neighbourhood. In the humours and usages and superstitions of lowly folk of that district he has broken virgin soil, and found that fresh and striking local colour which is great part of his charm. "La Barraca" belongs to this class, and is perhaps his best work. It has been translated into French, and must be known to many readers under the title "Terres Maudites." It treats of the life of the peasantry, and such an incident as the flight of the farmer under fire along the irrigation ditch is of capital interests. It was in "Flor de Mayo," also of this class, that Ibanez first appealed powerfully to his fellow-countrymen. Here we are among the fisherfolk of Valencia, and have to do with the jealousies of the women and with men who, urged by the hardness of their lot, take to tobacco smuggling. The book shows a certain aversion to dialogue, and there is much description; nevertheless such pictures as that of the fish market of the crazy ship the timbers of which in the swell sound like a "vieja guitarra," and the signalling with lantern and tarpaulin off Algiers to confedrates on shore, linger in the memory and continue to flash upon the inward eye long after the book is laid down.

KINDS OF BIOGRAPHY.

The intimation that Mr. George Gilbert is to publish a life of Mrs. Fitzherbert in the form of a novel, "To my King ever Faithful," suggests the reflection that it is possible to distinguish roughly three forms of historical biography. One is the historical biography as a work of science. This is generally a serious and valuable book, and its worth is according to the thoroughness of its research and the accuracy of its details. It is apt, however, to be lacking in literary charm, and, without being too much the story of a career, to be too little the study of a character. On the other hand, the historical biography as a literary work is first of all the study of a character. The pre-occupation of literature is with human nature. It presses from acts and incidents to the human subject behind both, and events are valued as they express character. Finally the historical biography as a work of fiction seems to be becoming more popular in our day. The writer allows his imagination free play, and gives us imaginary dialogues and scenes, and lets us into the feelings and thoughts of his subject. Mr. Gilbert's book will probably be of this sort. The characteristic difficulty of such an undertaking is that either facts imprison the writer's imagination and his book suffers as fiction, or his imagination gets the better of facts and it suffers as biograpy, while there is a fair chance of being neither good fiction nor good biography.

THE FATHER OF LAFCADIO HEARN.

Miss Bisland's "Life and Letters of Lafcadio Hearn" have found their way into most public and into some private libraries. There will be readers, therefore, who will be glad to insert the following note on the career of Surgeon-Major Hearn the writer's father, between pages 6 and 7 of the first volume. It supplements Miss Bisland's account, in certain points it makes it more definite, and in one point corrects information derived from Hearn himself, Charles Bush Hearn proceeded B.A. at Trinity College, Dublin, in 1839, and became in 1842 a licentiate of the Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland. He was attached to the 1st Foot. When he left Gibraltar for the Ionian Islands in April, 1845, he was staff assistant surgeon, and was promoted staff surgeon of the second class in November, 1849. He left those Islands for home in February, 1850, but did not, as one might gather from Miss Bisland, remain there. He left in September of the same year for the West Indies. From the West Indies he returned in 1853 and served at home until the following year, when he went to the Crimea. For his services there he had the medal with clasps for Alma, Inkerman, and Sebastopol siege, and received the Order of the Medjidie, fifth class. He served at home again until the Mutiny broke out, and spent the rest of his service with the exception of one year January, 1862, to January, 1863, in this country. He died on his passage home from Madras, 21st November, 1866.

DR. JOHNSON AND THE CENSORSHIP.

Amongst the weighty authorities who have opposed the theatrical Censorship, we may place the name of Dr. Samuel Johnson. True, when he wrote in 1739 his ironical "Vindication of the Licensers of the Stage" he had not yet attained to his position as the "Great Cham of Literature," but he was on the way to fame. Johnson's pamphelet was occasioned by the refusal to permit the performance of "Gustavus Vasa," a play by Henry Brooke, a clever Irishman who afterwards wrote "The Fool of Quality," a once-famous novel. Brooke's drama was thought to be dangerous to the Monarchy. It contained such sentiments as these:—

Yes, my Arvida,
Beyond the sweeping of the proudest train
That shades a monarch's heel, I prize there weeds:—
For they are sacred to my country's freedom.

Nervous fear has been the licenser's badge since the creation of his office. He smells treason in a platitude and the seven deadly sins in a single joke. Brooke complained of the delay of the licenser in making up his mind. Instead of deciding in the statutory fourteen days the licenser exhausted three weeks and then declined to allow the play to be acted. Hereupon Johnson, with mock solemnity pretends to rebuke the eagerness of the dramatist:—"Let Mr. Brooke consider whether that importunity was not a sufficient reason for the disappointment. Let him reflect how much more decent it had been to have waited the leisure of a great man than to have pressed upon him with repeated petitions, and to have intruded upon these precious moments which he has dedicated to the service of his country. Mr. Brooke was doubtless led into this improper manner of acting by an erroneous notion that the grant of a license was not an act of favour, but of justice; a mistake into which he could not have fallen but from a supine inattention to the design of the statute which was only to bring poets into subjection and dependence, not to encourage good writers but to discourage all." The gist of the whole matter is there condensed into a single phrase. The author, with the fear of the Lord Chamberlain's deputy before his eyes, is like a man dancing in chains. Mr. John Lane announces the application of Dr. Johnson's poems with an introduction by Mr. William Watson. The poems are said to have "only once had the distinction of being issued in a separate volume—namely, in 1785 by G. Kearsley."

OF the 9,100 masons normally employed in Paris, 4,926 are at present on strike. They have been joined by 1,037 of the 1,491 brickmakers.

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The recommendation made by the London County Council that teachers and students in elementary schools should be encouraged to wear "rational dress" has caused considerable discussion writes a home correspondent. The name "students" is now given to those formerly known as pupil teachers, and as many of these are young girls fresh from school work they are, perhaps, more ready to adopt new ideas than some of their more experienced colleagues. Rational dress is taken to mean the dress usually worn in school gymnasiums both by teacher and pupils, and many ladies are in favour of the general adoption of something of the kind. Such an innovation would naturally raise the question of a new design, and one recalls the dress of the Swedish ladies who were universally acknowledged to bear off the palm at the gymnastic display in spring. Nothing so neat and trim, so absolutely without superfluous ornament, so concise in line, and so flattering to the figure was worn by any other competitors.

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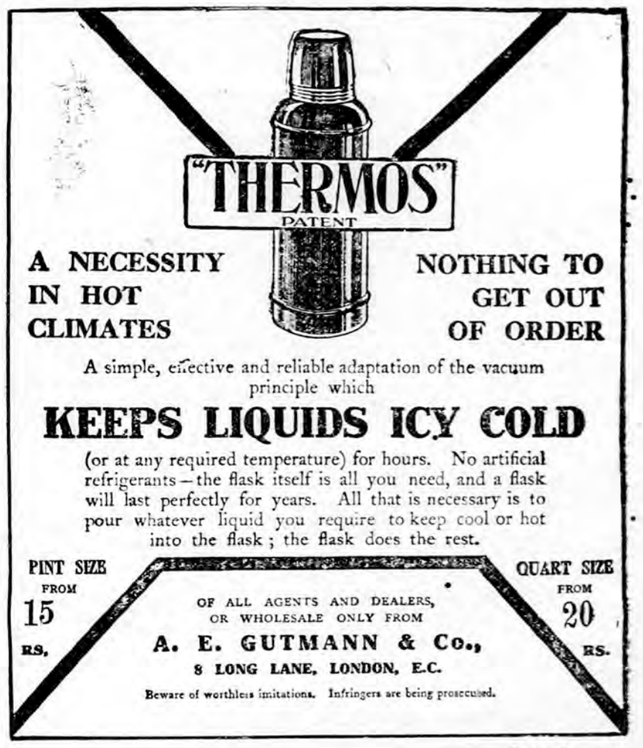

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